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 at wholesale prices.

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VERY LATEST.

BOY IS RAMSOMED.

The Father of Young Cudahy Pays
 \$25000 to Kidnappers.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 20.—The boy,
 Edward Cudahy, son of a millionaire
 packer of this city, who had been kid-
 napped, returned to his home early
 this morning. The father, Edward A.
 Cudahy, had paid the kidnappers
 \$25,000 which they charged for the boy's
 return. Cudahy carried the money to
 the rendezvous of the robbers person-
 ally and got his boy.

[For full particulars of the kidnapp-
 ing see our regular dispatches on page
 three this evening.—Editor.]

Attempted Treasury Robbery.

Special by American Press Association:

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 20.—There
 was an attempt made by two burglars
 to rob the Nebraska State Treasury
 early this morning, and the robbers
 would have succeeded had not the
 watchman discovered them. They had
 gained entrance to the treasury.
 After firing two shots at the guard
 they escaped without any money.

Transvaal War.

CAPE TOWN, Dec. 20.—The invasion
 of Cape Colony is spreading and caus-
 ing much excitement. It is reported
 the Boers have taken and occupied
 Colesburg and are in considerable
 numbers south of Philipolis and near
 the Orange River Colony frontier.

Rest in Jail.

Allen Williams, who was arrested in
 Oregon the other day for stealing an
 overcoat two weeks ago from Louis
 Stephan, plead guilty of the charge be-
 fore Judge Farrand in the County
 Court yesterday afternoon and was
 fined \$1 and sentenced to 90 days in
 the county jail.

Thomas Lightthold was brought be-
 fore Judge Farrand this morning on
 the charge of carrying a deadly weap-
 on and was fined \$200; in default of the
 payment of which he was returned to
 the county jail. This is the man who
 paraded the streets with a revolver on
 a recent Saturday evening.

Christmas Music at M. E. Church.

At the Methodist church next Sun-
 day morning the choir of twenty-five
 voices will sing the "Gloria" from Mo-
 zart's Twelfth Mass, and Prof. Kri-
 nbill and Miss Mabel Alexander will
 sing "Hark, Hark, My Soul," by Noylin.
 In the evening, by request the choir
 will repeat the "Gloria," and will also
 sing Emerson's "Glory to God in the
 Highest," or "Lovely Appearance," from
 Gounod's "Redemption." Prof. Kri-
 nbill will sing the "Star of Bethlehem,"
 by Adams, and Miss Josephine Gamble
 will give a violin solo with organ ac-
 companiment.

Another Shredder Accident.

This morning George Cleaver, son-
 in-law to Wm. Eastman near Eldena,
 while feeding a corn shredder on the
 farm of John Shippert in South Dixon,
 got his left hand involved in the ma-
 chinery and taken off at the wrist. Dr.
 Murphy is in attendance on the case
 as we go to press.

These corn shredder accidents are
 becoming fearfully frequent and if it
 does not stop before long it will become
 fashionable to wear but one arm.

County Bonds.

All bids have been rejected and the
 matter of the county court house bond
 sale will be opened up tomorrow.

The highest bid offered was \$91,194
 by Harris & Co., Chicago; the same
 firm who purchased Dixon South Side
 school bonds.

This would make the interest about
 three and one-fourth per cent.

Royal Neighbors Entertained.

About fifty couples were present at
 the necktie social given last evening
 by the Royal Neighbors. John Deeter
 auctioned the ties and after the pro-
 gram and supper the guests danced
 until the hour of 1:30. It was a very
 pleasant social occasion.

—John Mackey and Mrs. Will Mac-
 key are here from Taylor, Ill.

**Death of an Early Settler—Mrs. A. D.
 Moon.**

Died from physical troubles incident
 to old age, at the home of her daugh-
 ter, Mrs. L. W. Mitchell, 511 North
 Hennepin avenue in this city, at 10
 o'clock p. m. Wednesday, December 19
 1900, Mrs. Sarah H. Moon, aged 83
 years, 11 months and 6 days.

Sarah Hillman was born in Stokes,
 Kent county, England, January 13,
 1817, and with her mother and four
 brothers came to Malone, N. Y., in
 1833, when a girl of sixteen. August
 18, 1839 she was married to Anner D.
 Moon, and removed to Illinois the
 same year, settling in Palmyra town-
 ship, Lee county; where for forty years
 she lived well known and highly es-
 teemed by the entire community as a
 kind neighbor and an exemplary chris-
 tian. Here her family grew to manhood
 and womanhood, and here in 1877 she
 was bereft of her life companion. Two
 years later she went to Nebraska to
 reside with her eldest daughter, Mrs.
 J. B. Russell, with whom she lived un-
 til May, 1899, when she came to Dixon
 and has since made her home with her
 youngest daughter, Mrs. L. W. Mitch-
 ell.

Mrs. Moon was converted when but
 16 years of age and united with the
 Methodist church. She leaves a son
 and two daughters—Robert E. Moon
 and Mrs. J. B. Russell of Ashland,
 Neb., and Mrs. L. W. Mitchell of
 Dixon; also two half-sisters, Mrs. Mary
 James and Mrs. Harriet Briggs of
 Sterling, Ill.

The funeral services will be held at
 1 o'clock Friday afternoon from the
 Dollmeyer residence, 511 North Hen-
 nepia avenue, with interment and ser-
 vices at the Palmyra church at 2 o'clock.

Birthday Party in Sublette.

G. M. Crawford who lives about
 three miles east of the village of Sub-
 lette in Sublette township celebrated
 his seventy-fifth birthday with a fam-
 ily reunion. About fifty guests, all re-
 latives of himself and his wife, were in
 attendance, making the anniversary a
 very important event and one long to
 be remembered with pleasure by all.
 Mr. Crawford is one of the oldest set-
 tlers in this part of the county, having
 lived here for more than fifty years.

Some of his children and grand-
 children are now living outside of
 the immediate neighborhood but
 most of them are still here. Mrs.
 Crawford was a Clink and was
 born and reared in Bradford township.
 Although at this advanced age when
 most men begin to succumb to nature,
 Mr. Crawford is a very active man still
 and will, we hope, live to see many a
 return of the anniversary.

When the dinner hour came, the
 table was spread in the good old-time
 way with almost every variety of the
 pure, wholesome food such as can be
 found only on the farm table, prepared
 in the most appetizing manner. The
 ordinary mortal who sits down to such
 a display of viands is very likely to fill
 up before he is aware, but it is related
 that on this occasion some of the more
 elderly ladies even sat down a second
 time and did justice to the viands be-
 fore the table was cleared, much to the
 astonishment of one of the gentlemen
 from the city.

Before the merry company parted a
 collection was taken to purchase a
 goldheaded cane as a substantial memento
 from the relatives for Mr. Craw-
 ford.

Aside from the immediate family,
 those present were Martin Clink and
 wife of Inlet; Warren Clink and wife
 of Shaw; A. H. Clink and wife and
 their two sons, Harry and F. E. Clink
 and their wives and families; O. Bed-
 ent and wife of Lee Center township;
 two Easter brothers who have married
 into the Crawford family and their
 wives of Sublette township; J. M. Ellis-
 worth and wife and family;
 Mr. McNinch and wife and family;
 Austin Hicks, a son-in-law of Mr.
 Crawford; and family; Harry Clink
 and mother from Lee Center; Melvin
 Briggs and wife from Lee Center; Mr.
 and Mrs. Jones from Bradford town-
 ship; Frank Clark, a nephew of Mr.
 Crawford from Iowa; and Henry Ben-
 san, wife and family of Sublette.

Winter Solstice.

These are the shortest days of the
 year. Tomorrow will be the most con-
 tracted; most "pressed for time," as
 were the Egyptian mummies, of all the
 year. After tomorrow each day will
 be a little longer until the turning
 point comes again on June 21st.

It appears odd these delightfully
 pleasant mornings to see Old Sol rising
 way down near the southeast; coming
 up, we may say, as we see him thru our
 bedroom window, at the east end of
 Oakwood. "Jocund morn standing tip-
 toe on the misty" meadow; commonly
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Holly Wreaths
 2 for 25c.

New Mixed Nuts
 15c lb.

Best Broken Candy
 3 lbs. for 25c.

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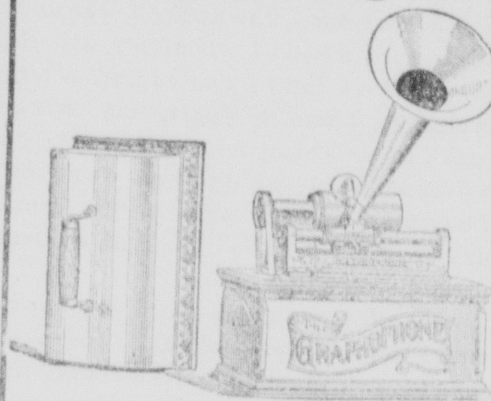
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 1 barrel "Perfection" Flour for.....3.90
 6 pounds Navy Beans for......25
 Best XXX Soda Crackers (box lots) per pound......54
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Songs for the Million.
The first song I ever wrote, says Paul Dresser, sadly, was "The Letter That Never Came." I did it in June, 1886. I gave the song to a man whom I no longer love. He was to arrange the song and return it to me in the form of orchestration and piano score for purposes of publication. I went on the road with a theatrical company, and after writing many times for the return of my manuscript song and receiving no reply, I one day picked up a copy of the New York Clipper, and there, in starting type, was the announcement of my song, "The Letter That Never Came," but with the other fellow's name tacked on it. I never received a penny for that song.
I remember standing at the corner of Eighth street and Broadway, New York, one evening, conscious of the fact that my sole worldly possessions amounted to sixty-five cents and the clothes I wore. I was an absolute stranger in New York, but everywhere I went I heard some one singing "The Letter That Never Came." Another man was getting the money and I was getting the laugh. I did not know whether to invest my sixty-five cents in a bed and night's lodging or save it for breakfast; I finally decided that I would need the breakfast more than the bed, so I knocked around all night. I shall never forget the circumstances attending the appearance of my second song, "I Believe It, For My Mother Told Me So." I published this song myself, and strangely enough, it made a hit. I can remember the first money that I received as author and proprietor. The amount was about \$250, and when I received all this money in a bunch I almost had a hemorrhage. I was so immensely tickled that I immediately went out and bought a dinner for myself ordering more than I could eat. That same night I came near dying from the effects of an overloaded stomach.
I soon found that I could not handle songs to advantage by publishing them myself, so I placed all that I could produce with a popular New York publisher. Among the best-known songs of mine that were then written are: "The Pardon that Came too Late," "I Can't Believe Her Faithless," "Here Lies an Actor," "The Lone Grave," and "The Curse." I studied music for six months. I think they call this period two terms. At the expiration of the second term I had mastered the "Sack Waltz." That is about the limit of my musical education. My music teacher was a Miss Fannie Hartung. She afterward took the veil and went into the cloister. I had sometimes thought that my bad playing or the anticipation of some of the music I have written drove her into the retirement of a convent.
I went into business and wrote "Just Tell Them that You Saw Me" in '94. It began to be sung everywhere immediately after its appearance; it made an enormous hit.
Then I wrote "The Banks of the Wabash," and later the present-day success, "The Blue and the Gray." My newest effort is "Give Us Just Another Lincoln," and people who know are saying nice things about it and predicting a big success for it.
Personally, I don't think that one can write a song in a sentimental strain—one that can catch the popular fancy—without some sort of inspiration. I have frequently been offered large and tempting sums of money for a song to be written in a hurry—made to order. I have needed the money in such cases, but I couldn't write the songs in that way. I realize that my songs are in no way wonderful creations, viewed from the standpoint of high class music. But they seem to please the masses, and the classes don't bother me much. I suppose it's a nice thing to write high class music, but this idea of starving to death and then having a monument put over your grave as a kind of offering to your genius don't take my fancy. A nice broiled steak with plenty of bread and butter and coffee makes the most substantial monument to a starving genius.
—There is quite a commotion in society circles in Evanston over the betrothal, just announced, of Miss Loe Woodward, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Woodward, to Lieut. Frederick Bismarck of the German Imperial Army, a great favorite of Emperor William, and the proprietor of large estates. Miss Woodward will be remembered as having with her mother been with the besieged in Pekin, the guests of Minister Conger, and for a time believed to have been slain by the Boxers. It was during that time and in that city she met her lover and became engaged.
—One of the proposed new reforms among the railroads is one regulating half-fare rates to children. It is proposed to grant these rates according to height not age as has been the case heretofore. All children over the established height must pay. Every car will be equipped with a measuring pole and when in doubt the conductor will procure the instrument and have the child stand up to it.

CATHOLICS TO OBSERVE DAY
Official Instructions for Celebration of Century's Close Are Issued.
Official instructions have been received from Rome setting forth how Roman Catholics are to observe the ceremonial closing of the century on Dec. 31. The orders have been issued by Cardinal Cretoni, prefect of the sacred congregation of indulgence and rites, and signed also by Archbishop Sogaro, secretary of the congregation. The decree is from the pope and is addressed to the entire world. It is as follows:
"Now that the present age is drawing to a close and a new one is about to begin, it is highly proper that all who have been redeemed by Him in every part of the world should be solemnly consecrated to the King of Ages, Jesus Christ, in order that this gratitude may be shown for the special favors from Him in the past.
"What our holy father granted a year ago by anticipation he also permits by the same decree of the sacred congregation of rites, viz: That at midnight which ushers in the January of the year 1901 the most august sacrament of the eucharist may be exposed for adoration in churches and chapels, and that in its presence one mass of the feast of the circumcision of our Lord and the Octave of the Nativity may be read or sung; and that, moreover, the faithful by special privilege receive holy communion either during or outside of the mass.
"While thinking of some new means of increasing the piety of the faithful in connection with an event so solemn, the holy father learned that many prelates and pious sodalities anxiously desire that the faithful of Christ, moved by an eagerness to participate in the rich treasury of spiritual indulgences, should everywhere be invited to come and adore the most blessed eucharist.
"As this was in most perfect accord with his own wishes, the holy father has benignly granted that a plenary indulgence may be gained by the faithful of Christ who, having properly approached the sacraments of penance and received holy communion in a church or chapel where the most holy eucharist is reserved, shall spend any full hour they please between midnight of Dec. 31 and the noon of Jan. 1, before the most august sacrament exposed to public adoration, and shall, moreover, offer pious prayers to God for the intentions of his holiness."
The decree will be read from all the Roman Catholic pulpits next Sunday or the following Sunday.
Russell Sage on Saving.
In the Christmas number of the Saturday Evening Post Russell Sage preaches a sermon so sound and logical that it is not necessary to admire or sympathize with the preacher to appreciate the wisdom of his words. He calls his paper "The Gospel of Saving," and he takes as his text the dictum that thrift is absolutely essential to happiness. Thrift, he says, is the foundation of success in business, of contentment in the home, of standing in society. The study and practice of thrift, in his opinion, should be made a part of the training in every public and private school in the country.
It is impossible for any man to get the most out of life if he is continually hampered by the lack of money, and no man, says Mr. Sage, need be hampered in this way if he starts out on the simple basis of always living on less than he makes, no matter what that amount may be. He makes allowances, of course, for exceptions and for unpreventable accidents, and when he speaks of all men he speaks in a general sense.
He lays down the wise rule that no man should at any time spend more than is necessary for a decent and comfortable living. Extreme luxury and lavishness are not evidences of cultivation, but of barbarism. The blame for the ruin of many men he lays on the shoulders of people who set them a bad example in these regards.
For the benefit of young men starting in life he lays down a set of rules, the following of which he is willing to prophesy will inevitably bring both happiness and success. The first rule is invariably to save 25 cents out of every dollar made. The second is to have a regular and strictly observed hour for rising and to work until the task before one is completed. The third is to be honest and brave enough to tell the truth under all circumstances. The fourth is to depend on one's self from the outset and to cultivate the feeling of independence. The fifth is to take a wholesome interest in public affairs, not, however, allowing politics or anything else to interfere with business. In addition the man who wishes to deserve and achieve success should be clean and decent in conversation and conduct, circumspect in his amusements, and avoid gambling of all kinds.
—The ladies of the Christian church will hold a cake sale at Bannell's drug store on Saturday of this week.

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Neckwear, Dress Shirts, Walking and Dress Gloves
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D. F. GREENAWALT & CO'S
Two Stores, Opera Block.
Scribner's.
The Christmas number of Scribner's is unusually fine. In point of art there are three different kinds of color-printing in cover, frontispiece and illustrations. Eight short stories, showing great variety in subjects, are included with illustrations.
Frank R. Stockton contributes one of his most amusing conceits, entitled "The Vice Consort," which is the story of a woman who was chosen for the second wife of their husbands by fond but jealous wives. Henry van Dyke tells a story of the Hudson Bay region in which the chief character is a misunderstood dog named "Pichou." Other stories are by Thomas Bailey Aldrich, Alice Duer and Henry Wise Miller, Ernest Seaton-Thompson, Arthur Colton, Octave Thanet and Francis Churchill Williams. All these are illustrated by the best modern illustrators. There are other special features of exceptional interest.
NELSON.
Dec. 19.—The chief of engineers and his gang of men are camped near the village and expect to have the proposed route of the Peoria North-Western entirely surveyed at the expiration of a week. Negotiations will then be made for the land wanted by the company.
We are sorry to announce the severe illness of Mrs. Andrew Peterson; with pneumonia.
Funeral services over the remains of Mrs. Klausen-Staumberg were held at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Deik Miller, Rev. Dornblaser officiating. Burial was in Nelson cemetery, many accompanying friends showing their respect.
J. B. Stitzel, we are glad to say, is much better.
Mrs. A. Thome is visiting for a few days with her son, John, and family of North Dixon.
Mrs. J. H. O'Brien of Minneapolis, Minnesota, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Dolly. She will remain several weeks.
Chas. Keister of Gardner and Albert Keister of Marengo, spent Sunday with their sister, Mrs. N. W. Willard.
John Sterling was a Nelson visitor his week.
At a turkey shoot north of the river, Henry Phillips won two fine birds.
Baptist Meetings.
At the annual meeting of the General Baptist association of Illinois, held at Centralia in October, Rev. Johnston Meyers of Chicago suggested that the 1100 churches of the denomination in this state should spend the week commencing Jan. 13 in special evangelistic meetings. Later a committee was appointed to give effect to the suggestion and considerable interest has been aroused in all sections of the field. The Baptist church of this city has voted to hold services during the week named in addition to the observance of the week of prayer.

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EAST BOUND. WEST BOUND.
No. 8...3:28 am... No. 13...10:17 am...
No. 6...4:50 am... No. 5...12:20 pm...
No. 16...5:54 am... No. 7...2:53 pm...
No. 2...7:08 am... No. 17...7:02 pm...
No. 10...7:22 am... No. 11...7:50 pm...
No. 12...10:35 am... No. 1...8:50 pm...
No. 14...4:50 pm... No. 25...9:53 pm...
No. 4...6:02 pm... No. 3...1:15 am...
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SOUTH BOUND. NORTH BOUND.
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Trick Pk. 10:15 a. m. Freeport P. 10:45 a. m.
Ducur Pk. 4:50 p. m. Trick Pk. 5:45 p. m.
Freight... 9:50 a. m. Freight... 2:00 p. m.
Daily—Others daily except Sunday.
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THE WEATHER.
The following is the weather forecast telegraphed us at 10:00 o'clock a. m. today from the government observatory at Chicago.
Fair tonight and Friday, moderate temperature. Sun rises at 7:25; sets at 4:30.
WEATHER REPORT.
For the week commencing Dec. 16, 1900.

	Max.	Min.	Precp.
Sunday	35	24	—
Monday	41	31	.04
Tuesday	46	28	—
Wednesday	—	—	—
Thursday	—	—	—
Friday	—	—	—
Saturday	—	—	—

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FROM **CHICAGO** TO
HOT SPRINGS
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The Illinois Central is now running a through Pullman sleeping car daily between Chicago and Hot Springs, Ark., on its "Limited" leaving Chicago at 5:30 p. m., arriving Hot Springs 5:15 the next afternoon.
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CUDAHY'S BOY STOLEN

Lad of 15, Son of the Millionaire
Packer of Omaha, Kid-
naped for Cash.

VILLAINS DEMAND A BIG RANSOM

Put the Figure at \$25,000 and No
Questions Asked.

Leaves Home at 8 P. M. and Drops Out
of Sight—Some Clues That
May Bring the Kidnapers
to Their Deserts.

Omaha, Dec. 20.—The 15-year-old son of Edwin Cudahy, who disappeared from his home in Omaha Tuesday evening, and for whom the police have been searching since the disappearance returned this morning. The officers on guard inquired for particulars, but none of the family would make a statement. The police are of the opinion that the boy was not abducted, but had run away, and returned home of his own accord. Mrs. Cudahy stated, however, that her son had been abducted, but had been treated kindly and was all right. Both Mr. and Mrs. Cudahy are feeling the mental strain of the past twenty-four hours very severely.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 20.—Edward Cudahy, Jr., 15 years old, son of Edward A. Cudahy, millionaire packer and head of the Cudahy Packing company in Omaha, is missing from his home in this city, and his parents believe that he has been kidnapped. The entire police and detective force of the city and half a hundred men employed by Cudahy have been scouring the city and country throughout the day in hopes of locating the boy or securing a clue which would lead to a knowledge of his whereabouts, but without success. Business at Cudahy's packing plant in South Omaha was practically suspended yesterday, nearly the entire force there joining in the search. The boy's parents are distracted at his disappearance, and the father has offered to pay a substantial reward and no questions asked if his son is returned to his home. An anonymous letter has been received at the Cudahy home substantiating the fears of the family that he has been kidnapped.

Boy Disappeared Sunday Night.

Young Cudahy left home at 8 p. m. Tuesday to take some books to the residence of Captain Rustin, about two blocks distant, and that is the last seen of him. As midnight arrived and he did not return, the police were notified, and two detectives were detailed to work on the case. It was not until nearly 9 a. m. yesterday, however, that the matter began to assume a really serious aspect. At that hour a man on horseback rode rapidly by the Cudahy mansion, and as he passed the front gate threw a letter into the yard. A servant who saw him took the letter into the house, where it was read. It said in substance:

"Mr. E. A. Cudahy: Your son is safe. We have him and will take good care of him and will return him to you in consideration of the payment of \$25,000. We mean business."
[Signed] JACK."

How He Was Deceived Away.

The remainder of the note the police refuse at present to disclose, as they say it relates to the place where the money is to be left and where the kidnapers are to leave the boy in case Cudahy complies with their terms. The servant who saw the man on horseback was able to give a good description of him and this is the clue upon which the police are working at present. As to the methods employed in the kidnapping, but little is known at present, but it is believed by some that young Edward was deceived away through the instrumentality of a boy about his own age, as two youths, one of whom answered the description of young Cudahy, were seen on a Leavenworth street car, west bound, shortly before midnight.

Fact That May Be of Use.

It transpired that Charles W. Martin, an insurance agent residing near Cudahy's home, while passing along a block in the rear of the house last evening, saw a covered wagon standing in the shadow of a clump of trees. One man sat in the wagon and was talking to another man, who stood on the ground. When Martin was passing they dropped their voices to an inaudible pitch. He did not attach much importance to it until he heard of the disappearance of young Cudahy. A companion of young Cudahy also recollects seeing a vehicle standing two or three nights near the Cudahy home.

BAD TOWN, INDIANAPOLIS.

According to the View of a Man Who
Sells Natural Gas.

New York, Dec. 20.—The Evening Post has the following: "The situation in the Indianapolis gas conditions is still interesting. H. C. Benedict, the leading director of the Indianapolis Gas company, said: 'I believe the people of Indianapolis are using three times, certainly twice, the amount of gas necessary to heat the town. They have boilers of it, almost, in their homes. We have tried repeatedly to give the town more gas, but it is a feat no engineer can accomplish. They accuse us of irregular practices. The most irregular practice we have committed is the repeated boring of new wells in a region that begins to grow impoverished in gas supply. If the people would consent to the use of meters we could solve the difficulty. But they won't pass such a law. They have a law regulating the use of mixers, but it is broken daily by nearly all the city.'"

"Manly Art" Dead at Chicago.

Chicago, Dec. 20.—Mayor Harrison yesterday revoked all permits for prize fighting issued prior to the passage of the anti-fight ordinance by the city council last Monday night.

GRIGGS CLOSES HIS CASE

Attorney General Concludes His Speech
on Porto Rico's Tariff.

Washington, Dec. 20.—The United States supreme court was crowded yesterday to its full capacity to hear the concluding arguments in the case involving the status of Porto Rico and the Philippines. The feature of the day was the conclusion of the speech of Attorney General Griggs. The five propositions he laid down in his argument and advocated were:

1. Power to acquire territory is constitutionally inherent in the United States government.

2. As a corollary it has the unquestioned right to govern such territory.

3. The government must regard as foreign, until or unless congress decrees otherwise, every port in a ceded country.

4. The constitutional clause of uniform duties throughout the United States does not apply to the nation's new possessions.

5. The position of the government is, therefore, incontestably legal and constitutional until congress legislates upon these new possessions.

In closing, Griggs said: "Throughout I have felt a serene confidence that nothing I have advised, nothing the government has done, has been without its precedents and forerunners from the most illustrious of our forefathers—Jefferson, Jackson, Madison, Gallatin, and from the great chief justices of the past; that nothing has been done but tending to the great exaltation and extension of our country and the improvement of the people."

FILIPINOS GET A NOTICE

Laws of War Are to Be Applied to Them
Right Away Now.

Manila, Dec. 20.—Today General MacArthur issued a proclamation warning the inhabitants of the archipelago that hereafter strict compliance with the laws of war will be required of non-combatants as well as combatants. The proclamation refers to recent proclamations issued by insurgent commanders threatening natives who are friendly to the American forces, and also to the orders issued to their men to kidnap and assassinate residents of towns occupied by Americans. The insurgent leaders will be notified that such practices if continued will make them fugitive criminals.

Residents of places held by Americans will be notified that compliance with the demands of the enemy will create a presumption that such acts are voluntary and malicious. They will also be notified that plans of intimidation will rarely be accepted, and that where secret committees are permitted to exist in behalf of the insurgents, even well-disposed persons will be exposed to the danger of being tried as traitors.

Newspapers will be warned against publishing seditious and the proclamation will declare that rebels who are not part of an organized force are not entitled to the privileges of prisoners of war.

Boutelle To Be Retired.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Congress has authorized the president to appoint Representative Boutelle, of Maine, to be a captain of the United States navy on the retired list, both houses having passed the resolution. The senate yesterday, aside from the transaction of some routine business and the passage of seventy-one private pension bills, did little or nothing else of importance in open session. In secret session the Hay-Hoodcroft treaty was discussed. The house passed bills to compel the Pennsylvania and Baltimore and Ohio railroads to abolish grade crossings, to alter their routes into this city and to change their terminal facilities. Also, the Pennsylvania is required to build a new station to cost not less than \$1,500,000.

Died of Too Much Ginger.

Cambridge, O., Dec. 20.—Coroner Voorhees has rendered his verdict in the death of Andy Bonick and Larry Laesch, finding that they came to their deaths from drinking fanatical ginger. The two were to have been married, and according to the Slavish custom were holding an ante-nuptial celebration, to which several of their friends had been invited. The coroner finds that the party consumed the greater portion of thirty-two ounce bottles of ginger, which was 95 per cent. pure alcohol. There was considerable excitement over a report that they had been poisoned.

Chatard's Health Is Improved.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Bishop Chatard, of Indianapolis, has written his brother, Dr. Thomas M. Chatard, that his health has improved to so great an extent that he has reconsidered resigning the see of Indianapolis, and will continue to govern it, aided by his newly appointed coadjutor, Bishop O'Donoghue. Bishop Chatard suffered a stroke of paralysis a short time ago. He was formerly head of the American college in Rome.

Three Men Buried Alive.

Chadron, Neb., Dec. 20.—Three men were yesterday buried alive beneath thirty-five feet of earth in an irrigation canal four miles east of this city. The names of the men are T. C. Burns, of Montana; Stanchfield Burns, his son and Woody Hitchfield, a hired hand. Burns, Sr., was a wealthy ranch and sheep owner who was superintending the building of the irrigation canal when the accident occurred.

The New "Ohio Idea."

Granville, O., Dec. 20.—G. L. Mason, a Dowle elder of Chicago, was mobbed last night while delivering a lecture at the opera house. The speaker made a bitter attack upon the Masonic and other secret orders, and was assailed with rotten eggs, vegetables and other missiles. He would have been worse treated if members of the societies he had attacked had not protected him from the mob.

Actually Tired of Talking.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Yesterday's executive session of the senate demonstrated that the discussion of the Hay-Panama treaty by that body is practically exhausted, and that the senate is ready for the vote, which has been fixed for today.

Clements and Delarey "In Touch."

Krugersdorp, Transvaal, Dec. 20.—A pitched battle is imminent between the British under General Clements, who has been reinforced, and the Boers under General Delarey.

CLEVELAND'S COUNSEL

What the Ex-President Would Do
to Strengthen the Democratic Party.

HIS OPINION GIVEN IN EXTENSO

Keynote of What He Says: The Party
Must "Go Back to First
Principles."

Philadelphia, Dec. 20.—Grover Cleveland contributes to this week's issue of The Saturday Evening Post, of Philadelphia, an extended article [which is copyrighted] on the situation in the Democracy and the remedy. Cleveland begins by reviewing the history of the party, and he dissects its defeats since 1864 in detail. In taking up the question of the present conditions of the Democracy he says that the success of the party in 1892 was so decisive and overwhelming that a long continuance of its supremacy was anticipated. Then came "the fallacy of free silver and Populism." Cleveland then proceeds as follows: "The culmination of Democratic woe was reached when its compact with these un-democratic forces was complete, and when our rank and file were summoned to do battle under banners which bore strange symbols and were held aloft in unfamiliar hands. The result of such a betrayal was foredoomed. * * *

Cites Three Democratic Defeats.

"The disaster of 1872, invited by similar mad adventure, was quickly followed by a return to the professions and practices of sane Democracy. But the extent and persistence of our wanderings in 1896 is illustrated in a most astounding way by the command, issued on the day of our rout and discomfiture, that a second battle should be fought on the same field, with the same false war cries and the same leadership, that had brought us to the surrounding gloom of defeat. * * *

Thus in 1900 the lesson of the 1896 was contemptuously rejected, and every hope of Democratic success was wilfully cast aside. Again our long-suffering rank and file, whose loyalty and obedience deserved better things, were sacrificed in a cause theirs only in name; and again it was demonstrated, but more clearly than ever before, that the only forces that can win Democratic success are adherence to recognized Democratic principles and reliance upon Democratic councils and leadership.

Plea for a "Return to First Principles."

"Why should we not return to these and in their name again achieve victories no less glorious and renowned than were ours in the days of courageous advocacy of our time-honored faith? Are our principles so shopworn or antiquated as to require renovation, or their displacement by others more fashionable? * * *

As new conditions arise, our principles must be applied to them; but in the creed that has guided us through a century of party existence we shall find the key to every such application; nor shall we need the lexicon of Populism to aid us in interpreting this creed."

Give the Rank and File a Chance.

Cleveland touches in turn on free silver and the federal courts, and believes that Democrats are against conceding "the general government for protecting itself in the exercise of its functions against violent obstruction within a state. Further on he declares: 'I believe no Democrat will have the hardihood to deny that we have fought our last two campaigns in alliance with un-democratic forces and that this alliance was immensely costly in defeat. Is there not good reason to suppose that even in success such an alliance would have proved unprofitable and dangerous? * * *

Reorganization is not necessary; but a return from our wandering is absolutely essential. * * * If I should attempt to optimize what I have written, by suggesting a plan for the rehabilitation and restoring of true Democracy, I should embody it in these words: 'Give the rank and file a chance.'"

CHAIRMAN JONES TO RESIGN.

Information That Comes Straight From
Men Close to the Senator.

Chicago, Dec. 20.—The Record says: "Senator J. K. Jones, according to reports in Democratic circles, soon will call a meeting of the Democratic national committee in Washington for the purpose of resigning as chairman. This information came to Chicago yesterday straight from men who are close to Senator Jones. They said that the manager of Colonel Bryan's last campaign was anxious to get out, so that the committee can elect his successor."

"They said that J. G. Johnson, who was chairman of the executive committee, is an active candidate for the chairmanship of the general committee, and that ex-Governor Stone, of Missouri, would like to be chairman."

It is said that a majority of the committeemen are in favor of Mayor Tazzari, of Indianapolis, the Indiana committeeman."

To Investigate Government Ownership.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Representative Sutherland, of Nebraska, yesterday introduced a resolution for the appointment of a special committee of seven to investigate the whole subject of the government ownership of railroads in Europe as well as in this country, with a view to future legislation upon this subject.

Combine of Independent Factories.

Pittsburg, Dec. 20.—On the first of the new year, independent window glass manufacturers with pot capacity from 900 to 1,000, will open offices in Pittsburg of a joint selling agency company to be operated on the lines of the dissolved American Glass company. Thirty-six concerns are in the agreement.

Jedries and Rubin Sign.

New York, Dec. 20.—James J. Jedries and Gus Rubin yesterday signed articles of agreement to box twenty rounds.

PINGREE PAYS HIS RESPECTS

To Several and Numerous People Who Did
Not Attend.

Lansing, Mich., Dec. 20.—The dinner given by Governor Pingree in the hall of representatives Tuesday night was a notable affair. The officials who ignored the invitations were not forgotten by the state executive and his guests. During the afternoon the governor sent a special invitation to the senate and therein he wrote:

"I attended one of the most elaborate banquets ever given at the White House less than a year ago. President McKinley had five glasses at each plate, which were kept filled until midnight. * * * After those present had finished the feast they adjourned to the White House parlors to indulge in a fancy drink, which I think was called pousse safe. * * * I also enjoyed the best cigarette I ever smoked. Of course, being at the White House, I had to take it. I will have some tonight."

Referring to the wine at the White House the governor said: "I know that our boss, Senator McMillan, availed himself of the five 'White House glasses.' The senate by a vote of 23 to 5 declined to receive the invitation and referred it back to the governor. As soon as the cigars were lighted Governor Pingree started the speech-making and scored almost every one against whom he has any sort of a grievance, and the supreme court in particular. After greeting his guests, the governor said: 'I thought I'd invite you with the old supreme court, but as usual they issued another injunction. I want you to pray for the poor hypocrites, the poor fellows who are afraid of the cars.'"

He paid his respects to Senator McMillan, whom he referred to as "Jim, our boss." The newspapers came in for a scolding, the Detroit newspaper in particular, and the proprietor of one of them was called by name and severely handled. Society in general was included, the governor asserting that it rapidly was making hypocrites, of which Michigan has far more than its share.

"PHIL SHERIDAN'S RIDE"

How His Son Was Made to Caricature It
at the Military Academy.

West Point, N. Y., Dec. 20.—Some very interesting testimony was brought out yesterday by the court of inquiry which is investigating the alleged hazing of cadets at the military academy here, in connection with the recent death of former Cadet Boaz. Thirty-five cadets were examined yesterday, and of these one was the brother of Lieutenant Richmond P. Hobson, of Merimac fame, another was the son of General Phil Sheridan, and a third, Mark Brooks, of Pennsylvania, is a nephew of General Brooke, who is the presiding officer of the court. Not one of them said that the treatment received or the things they had to do were either brutal or degrading.

Hobson's worst ordeal was when he had to stand on his head in a bath tub in which there was about ten inches of water. He said he was partially strangled, but was all right in a few minutes. Young Phil Sheridan was made to ride a broom stick along the company's street in commemoration of his illustrious father's ride, and he had to keep shouting "Turn, boys, turn," all the time. He did not think this was humiliating, he said, although he did not relish the task.

In nearly every instance the witnesses said that all the more brutal forms of hazing were obsolete, and while "bracing" was still practiced secretly it was against the regulations, and if any one were detected violating these regulations he would be summarily dealt with and severely punished.

Husband and Wife Fatally Shot.

Chicago, Dec. 20.—John Snyder and his wife were found fatally shot last night at 5423 Lake avenue. The man, with two bullet wounds in his head, was in his bedroom, and the woman, similarly wounded, was in the dining room. No one has been found who knows who fired the shots. Mrs. Snyder has been lying here some time. Yesterday morning Snyder came from La Salle, Ill., to visit her.

Candy Man Takes an Appeal.

West Superior, Wis., Dec. 20.—T. S. West, the candy man who lost the first Sunday violation which went against the defendant, has appealed his case to the supreme court. Candy store men have decided that the precedent established when the jury rendered the verdict of guilty was a dangerous one to be allowed to stand.

Burial of John Addison Porter

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 20.—The funeral services over the remains of the late John Addison Porter, former secretary to President McKinley, were held yesterday in Trinity church.

NEWS FACTS IN OUTLINE.

It is said that an Atlantic liner is to be moored outside the three-mile limit off Brighton, England, and fitted up as a Monte Carlo.

The report that there is \$200,000,000 anywhere in England for the Corey family is officially denied.

Kruger is at Amsterdam, where he was received with great enthusiasm.

A. C. Metzger, of Newark, N. J., shot and killed one at a hotel in Hopewell, and killed one wife at Hopewell, had another wife at Newark, N. J.

Henry Wallace, for thirty years a member of the Chicago board of trade, is dead, aged 65.

The senate committee has fixed the strength of the army, maximum, at 100,000, and will permit beer in the canteens.

David Allen, of San Francisco, won \$25,000 from Dawson gambling houses in four days, starting with \$250.

Dr. Nicholas Senn has left Chicago with Dr. S. M. Wylie, of Paxton, Ill., for South America, where they will remain several weeks.

Sickness prompted Charles Delhoff, of Chicago, 64 years old, to shoot his self.

Henry Bonn was found dead at Chicago in a collapsed bed by members of his family. He was 68 years old.

The French government has offered the cross of the Legion of Honor to Lieutenant W. S. Sims, the former United States naval attaché at Paris.

YATES' INAUGURATION

Preparations at the State Capital
Well Under Way for
the Function.

BALL IS NOT ON THE PROGRAMME

Chicago Thug Gets a Bullet Where It
Will Do Most Good to the
Community.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 20.—At a meeting held in the Leland hotel preliminary steps were taken in preparation for the inauguration of Governor-Elect Yates. Dr. William Jayne, of Springfield, presided at the meeting and was made chairman of the general committee on arrangements, which will consist of the chairman of the various sub-committees, as follows: Reception, Governor Tanner, Finance, E. W. Tracy, Springfield; invitation, Fred H. Rowe, Jacksonville; music, George N. Black, Springfield; military, Colonel J. S. Culver, Springfield; state house programme, Colonel James R. B. Van Cleave, Springfield; transportation, E. A. Hall, Springfield.

Will Be No Inaugural Ball.

It was agreed that the members of the state central committee should comprise a portion of the reception committee and Chairman Jayne was empowered to complete the personnel of the committees. Governor Tanner, who opened the meeting, said Governor-Elect Yates had voiced a preference for the omission of the usual inaugural ball, and his wish will be respected. Governor and Mrs. Tanner will meet the incoming governor and his wife at the Leland hotel shortly before noon on January 1, in the state house. A reception, either at the state house or the executive mansion will follow in the evening.

Live Stock Breeders Meet.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 20.—The executive committee of the Illinois Live Stock Breeders' association met at this city yesterday and decided to hold the next annual meeting at Champaign, Nov. 18 to 21, 1901. It was decided to invite as speakers Hon. O. E. Bradford, Joseph E. Wing and R. P. Thomas, both of Ohio; George McKelvey and Professor Henry of Wisconsin; Professor Curtis, of Iowa; Hon. John Jensen and Prof. E. A. Burnett, of Nebraska, and Hon. F. D. Culbourn, of Kansas.

HE REFORMED A CHICAGO THUG.

Policeman Puts a Bullet Where It Will
Do the Community Good.

Chicago, Dec. 20.—In a hand-to-hand struggle in the darkness of an alleyway, John, better known as "Red" Corbett, one of the boldest criminals Chicago's police have had to contend with, was shot and killed Tuesday night by Policeman Brady. When the fatal encounter occurred Corbett and a "pal" had just held up Charles Grady, colored. With the two thugs using every trick to overcome him, a bullet from Grady's revolver killed Corbett. The latter was in the act of trying to fire his own weapon, snatched back from the hands of the policeman, who had disarmed him.

The hold-up and killing occurred at 9:15 p. m., while many pedestrians were passing. It was in the neighborhood of Corbett's home, however, known as one of the toughest districts of the west side, and it was only by the use of his revolver that Policeman Grady prevented a further attack when Corbett's partner had succeeded in making his escape.

Ernest Weinburg grew despondent because his wife left him, made a bluff at suicide, and pretended death in the presence of his wife and friends. Detectives and police officers, called to the house, jabbed hammers and saws into him and applied such other means that Weinburg returned to life, and was again separated from his wife by the imposition of a fine of \$50 and costs. In lieu of the cash he goes to the bridewell for 100 days.

Had a Jag, Not the Cholera.

Peoria, Ill., Dec. 20.—Robt. Scholes, local game warden, announced that the ducks shot along the Illinois river were affected by a form of cholera and rendered unfit to be eaten. It has developed that the game warden is the victim of a joke and quite wrong in his diagnosis of the case. Upstream hunters in the neighborhood of Chillicothe recently spread broadcast over the duck haunts several bushels of corn, well soaked in alcohol. The ducks were made drunk by eating this corn and were unable to fly away. The hunters reaped a rich harvest of intoxicated ducks. Soon a story of a strange action among the birds was spread abroad.

Hitt Is to Boom His Boom.

Chicago, Dec. 20.—Representative Hitt will open Chicago headquarters for the booming of his senatorial aspirations next Saturday, and unless his promise is worded he will be on the ground personally to direct his campaign. Arrangements for a suite of rooms for him have been made by Senator Homer F. Aspinwall. Hitt's manager.

Aged Citizen Has a Fatal Fall.

McLeansboro, Ill., Dec. 20.—John W. Marshall died here yesterday afternoon from the effects of a fall yesterday morning from the steps of his residence. He was born in Ireland in 1814; came here in 1839; served as county clerk from 1848 to 1872; was appointed postmaster in 1884. He was an old and prominent Mason.

Death of Mrs. J. A. Kamler.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 20.—Mrs. John A. Kamler, wife of former Presiding Elder Kamler, of the Springfield district of the Methodist Episcopal church, former chancellor of Illinois Wesleyan university at Bloomington, died yesterday morning of an attack of paralysis sustained Tuesday.

The City Doesn't Have To.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 20.—Municipal powers on the granting of liquor licenses in Illinois was specifically defined by the state supreme court yesterday. It denied the motion of E. H. Woolner to file a petition against the mayor of Bloomington to compel him to issue a saloon license.

A WOMAN'S BACK.

The Aches and Pains Will Disappear if
the Advice of This Dixon Citizen
is Followed.

A woman's back has many aches and pains.

Most times it's the kidneys' fault. Backache is really kidney ache. That's why Doan's Kidney Pills cure it.

Many Dixon women know this.

Read what one has to say about it: Mrs. C. McCrystal of 553 Madison avenue, says: 'I suffered from disordered condition of the kidneys for some time. Learning about Doan's Kidney Pills I got a box at Leake Bros' Drug Store and used them as directed. The benefits I derived from their use were soon noticeable. The pains in my back grew less and the secretions from the kidneys which had been too frequent grew regular. By the time I used two boxes the heart trouble from which I also suffered because of the improper action of the kidneys was greatly improved.'

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NERVITA PILLS

Will Restore Strength, Energy
And The Ambition That Nature Intended All to Be

A Nerve Tonic and Blood Purifier. Brings the pink glow to pale cheeks and restores the fire of youth. By mail 50 cents per box, 6 boxes for \$2.50, with our bankable guarantee to cure or refund the money paid. Send for circular and copy of our bankable guarantee bond.

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(YELLOW LABEL) Immediate Results

Positively guaranteed cure for Paralysis, Locomotor Ataxia, Nervous Prostration, Hysteria, Fits, Insanity, Paralysis and the Results of Excessive Use of Tobacco, Opium or Liquor. By mail, in plain packages, \$1.00 a box, 6 for \$5.00, with our bankable guarantee bond to cure in 30 days or refund money paid. Address

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Clinton & Jackson Sts., CHICAGO, ILL.
Sold at W. R. Parkers Drug Store,
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Kodol Dyspepsia Cure

Digests what you eat.

Artificially digests the food and aids Nature in strengthening and reconstructing the exhausted digestive organs. It is the latest discovered digestant and tonic. No other preparation can approach it in efficiency. It instantly relieves and permanently cures Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Heartburn, Flatulence, Sour Stomach, Nausea, Sick Headache, Constipation, Cramps and all other results of imperfect digestion. Price 50c. and \$1. Large size contains 24 times amount of active ingredients. Book about dyspepsia mailed free. Prepared by E. C. DEWITT & CO., Chicago.

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Complete in 20 Numbers.

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Printed from original half-tones, by the nickel-type process, superior to any other yet invented, as the excellence of the views fully testify. All the photographs were taken by Marius Bar, official photographer of the French Government and by the eminent Neudein Bros., whose art productions are famous throughout Europe. Famous paintings and statuary on exhibition in the halls of the Art Palaces, together with the celebrated Royal German Collection, loaned by the Emperor, from the palaces of the German Empire. In its complete form the Parisian Dream City will be the most perfect and desirable art work ever issued in America. Every family should possess a copy. For further particulars. See our circular, Robt. Fulton, 10 cents per number. Call at EVENING TELEGRAPH office and examine this beautiful work.

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Those in need of Neat
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Hanging or Artistic House
Decorating, should consult

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Head-quarters
for Useful
X-mas Presents

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THE DRY-GOODS MAN.

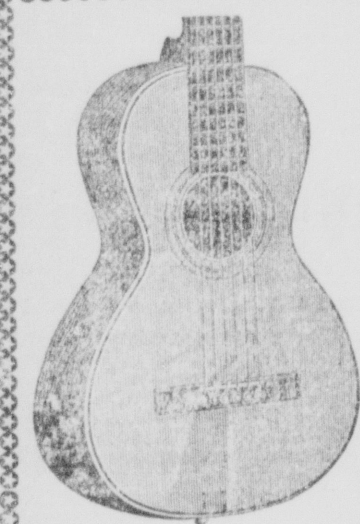
92 Galena Av.

Santa Claus
is King and we
are his
Store House.

Here is a partial list of the many pleasing, practical and pretty presents for X-mas.

Dolls, kid bodied and dressed.
Toilet Sets, ebony and plated.
Medallions, 10c upwards, lovely subjects.
Handkerchiefs, the grandest assortment.
Embroidered Pillow Shams.
Battenburg Squares.
Perfumes, finest goods at popular prices; Furs, Child's Sets Muffs and Collarets; Lunch Cloths; Fine Towels; Umbrellas, grand assortment; Silk Waists.

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Why

not get a present for Christmas that will be enjoyed by every member of the family.

One of our Regina Music Boxes would just fill the bill.

Plays over a thousand different tunes, never gets old.

Then we have some very fine Mandolins and Guitars. And they don't cost very much. You should see our new Mandolin for \$2.85 and our Guitars for \$4.50.

We have a very complete line of Violins, Music Rolls, Harmonica, Flute, Music Books, Sheet, Music, etc.

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110 Galena Avenue.

Try an order of
Hocking Valley,

the best soft coal in the market.
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and the best grades of hard coal.

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Both 'Phones. Office 90 Peoria Av.

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PRICES THAT WILL PLEASE ALL!

Choice California Evaporated Peaches, worth 124, only.....10c per lb
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Apple Butter, Plum Butter and Peach Butter, put up in Quart Jars
only.....10c each
Extra Fine Quality Canned Pears in Heavy Syrup 2 cans for only.....25c
Extra Fine Quality Canned Peaches in Good Syrup, 2 cans for.....25c
Kirk's Cabinet Soap, 10 bars for.....25c
3 lb.-Can Golden Pumpkin, per can.....7c

Denny & Co.

Both 'Phones. 53 First Street.

For The Holidays!

Christmas Candy only.....5c per pound
Choice Holiday Box Cigars, only.....\$1.00 per box

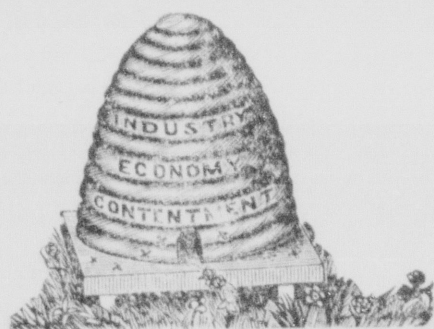
Complete stock, good goods and prices always right.
Give us a trial.

North Side Grocery,

Geo. W. Hill, Prop.

Both 'Phones.

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Bee
Hive



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Bee
Hive

Our Greeting is Christmas Bargains!

They are many, they are desirable, they are reliable. We have this year a larger, better lighted and more beautiful store than previous years. Our choice selections of New Holiday Goods are now ready for the inspection and approval of all who know a good thing when they see it. Come in and be pleasantly surprised. Nothing now to hinder you from having a Merry Christmas as you can get the presents you want for the persons you wish at a price you can afford to pay. We have new novelties, nice but inexpensive goods. We have choice and more costly gifts, ranging upward in price as high as you care to go. In all grades and at all prices we can supply you with the nice and most appropriate gifts for little and big, old and young. We want you to come in and see the BEST. We want you to know how much there is in and how CHEAP it is at the reasonable prices we ask. To have a Merry, Satisfactory and Money saving Christmas make your Holiday purchase at

The Bee Hive.

121 First St.

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CHRISTMAS WINDOWS.

Offer Suggestions for Buyers of
Gifts.

The Dixon Merchants Have Large Stocks
of Holiday Goods which Attract
Many Purchasers.

The time for the annual occurrence, the delights and perplexities of buying Christmas presents, is upon us. Blindly we may grope for ideas, yet instead of trusting to the uncertainty of thought, let us take a stroll down the streets and glance into the shop windows. Many, tho not all, of the merchants have offered us aid by their attractive window displays as well as their suggestive advertisements.

For some unknown reason there are few elaborate displays, but the majority have made a specialty of certain articles, therefore the windows are more suggestive and less confusing.

Glancing down First street the Plymouth Clothing and Shoe House attracts us with one window filled with neat suits at bargain prices and another with neckwear and shirts.

The National Clothing House across the street offers a suggestion in pretty smoking jackets and a window full of neckties.

Joe Petersberger's window with its cathedral clock suggests that it is "just time to buy your X-mas presents" and gentlemen's furnishing goods offer a selection.

S. Rosenthal & Son's window is neatly trimmed and the neckties, handkerchiefs and umbrellas are suggestive. In the adjoining window the Famous displays a maze of toys for the little ones.

Farther down the street Keyes & Son have a window full of handsome furniture, including a Morris chair, a beautiful dining room table and side board and rugs. In the same line C. Gonnerman's window suggests a handsome brass bed, neat dressers or chairs, a combination dress and book case or a charming framed picture.

Never failing in suggestions is S. S. Dodge's window with its sparkling cut glass or its ebony toilet articles and jewelry. H. U. Bardwell's window contains comfort for the traveler with its large display of fine valises or its warm robes.

Huguet & Heidenreich can offer a choice Christmas dinner and plenty of confectionary to sweeten the day, and down the street near the college B. F. Snyder of the Park Restaurant advertises like attractions.

Returning toward the center of the town, the J. T. Murray Cigar Co. suggests a box of fine cigars, and George Schorr's window is filled with bottled refreshment.

Beier Bros. and Whitish & Berry display pastry and fruits for the table.

D. J. Denny is busy dispensing groceries and Dan Donovan displays choice meats.

The Bee Hive is an appropriate name and their display of toys, lamps, albums, china and glassware attracts many customers.

W. C. Godfrey's window presents a gateway to grocery bargains and in the basement below G. J. Reid has a line of handsome pictures and tasty frames.

R. W. Thompson's window is trimmed with handkerchiefs, fancy articles and pillows.

The Dollar Saver suggests many novelties.

Leake Bros. have a window full of Lowney choice candy in fancy boxes as well as a large line of books and pictures.

C. C. Burkart displays jewelry and toilet articles and pretty candelabra.

Kelly's drug store has a beautiful display of perfumery and one window is devoted to plants, cut flowers and fine china.

Gill, the Shoe Man, and Haley & Drew have extensive displays of fine shoes and slippers and Yates & Smith add neckwear to their shoe display.

O. H. Brown & Co's window has a display of rugs, furs, pillows and umbrellas before a background of lace curtains and also contains the winter hats of Miss Giles.

L. B. Countryman Co. have window displays of shoes, furs and jackets on one side and fine canned goods on the other.

J. H. Morris & Son show some superb cut glass as a specialty aside from their groceries and fruits.

Downing Bros., grocers, have the largest display of Christmas greenery ever exhibited in Dixon and includes trees, wreaths and palms.

Lew E. Edwards has some dainty stationery and desk conveniences as well as books, games and a great variety of novelties.

C. A. Todd has a window full of gloves, mufflers and neckwear.

D. F. Greenawalt & Co's window has a fireplace waiting for St. Nicholas and an abundance of toys for the stockings as well as clothing and shoes.

Ayres' harness shop suggests gloves and leather goods, and in the joint store window of the Dixon Music Co. and Mulkins & Co. are sheet music and millinery.

G. O. Wendell's window constantly attracts admiring crowds with its display of fine decorated china and cut glass and its silver spoons, its clocks, watches and other jewelry. Adjoining is T. J. Miller's window full of musical instruments and sheet music, and we hear that a number of people are to have pianos to gladden their Christmas.

E. N. Howell Hardware Co. has unusual attractions in the line of cameras and sporting goods.

A. H. Tillson Drug Co. has one window filled with aquariums and gold fish and another full of handsome lamps, pictures and perfumery. Rowland Bros. and the E. M. Bunnell Drug Co. also display lamps, toilet articles and perfumery.

J. R. Carpenter's window suggests handkerchiefs and fancy articles and pictures.

Anna L. Geisenheimer has a neat display of ladies' furnishings, dolls and novelties.

A. W. Hoffman has a window full of dolls and another of handkerchiefs and fancy goods.

Ford Bros' shoe store windows are attractively trimmed.

Camp & Son's store in pictures and fine furniture can satisfy any taste and pocket.

E. R. Kent and B. P. Woodford can give you suggestions to please the sportsman or you can step into Howard Johnson's and get a box of fine cigars or a comforting pipe.

David Sennell's window presents a sweet scene with a candy cave in a snow-capped mountain of candy where the little Eskimo and his family live contentedly and are guarded by a living Santa Claus.

Geo. W. Hill at the north end of the bridge and W. C. Jones in Dement town suggest the donation of a Christmas dinner to a needy family and they can supply your wants in the grocery line.

Your tailor would suggest beginning the new century with a nice suit and J. E. Cummins on Galena avenue or C. S. Kron on First street have a fine line of suitings. Schumm & Winden on East First street have a window display of clothes and with them is Ralph B. Corby's new line of neckwear and shirts.

Robt. H. Howell and Neville & Co. display carving sets and hardware and C. J. Rosbrook offers some decorated ware in addition. Mrs. P. A. Longdon adds to her line of millinery some fine needle work. Misses Perkins & Trein the Leader and other milliners carry a nice line winter hats. Other suggestions are found at Stephens' book store, E. H. Rosenthal's sporting goods, Ripley & Long's grocery, F. R. Hanlon and S. W. Eakins blankets and harness; D. A. Ford, shoes; Simons' candy store, the coal and wood dealers will fill your orders for needy families, and last but not least the always acceptable photograph from Haynes, Andre, Chiverton or Davis.

The Egans of Amboy.

The Amboy Journal says: "John M. Egan of Savannah, Ga., and A. H. Egan of Chicago were here this week visiting their father, Michael Egan. Five sons of Mr. Egan became prominent railroad men, beginning at the bottom and working their way to prominence by their intelligence and superior executive abilities. A. H. Egan is now assistant superintendent of the Chicago division of the Illinois Central, with headquarters at Chicago. John M. is president of the Central of Georgia Railway System including the steamship lines from Savannah to New York, and has for years been recognized as the ablest and most successful railway organizer and manager in the country. Both started in life in Amboy and both still have a lively interest in Amboy affairs and note the record of changes in our community, especially the deaths of early residents of Amboy, the friends and associates of former days.

Hitt May Withdraw.

It is now stated that Congressman Hitt, being somewhat disgusted at the use Tanner and Lorimer are making of his name to suit their purposes, will withdraw from the senatorial contest and throw his influence in favor of Senator Cullom.

Senator Cullom will come home next week and will not return to Washington until after the contest is settled, in the result of which he feels confident of victory.

This is what the newspaper gossips say, but THE TELEGRAPH has urged all along, and still believes that Mr. Hitt has not been in the Senatorial contest, so far as he personally is concerned, during all the time that newspaper correspondents have made so free with his name.

After looking Lee county over

Santa Claus

has decided to make his HEAD-QUARTERS at the

R. W. Thompson Store,

COR. FIRST AND HENNEPIN AVE.

Where you will find everything to gladden the hearts of old and young; including Dress Goods, Jackets, Furs, Umbrellas, Table Linens, Napkins, Fancy Art Linens, Handkerchiefs, Celluloid Collar and Cuff Boxes, Jewel Cases, Pictures, Albums, Child's Work Boxes, Toilet Sets, Cigar Cases, Picture Frames, Gents' Toilet Cases, Dolls and hundreds of other things too numerous to mention.

Blue Trading Stamps with Everything:

Rockers, Rockers.

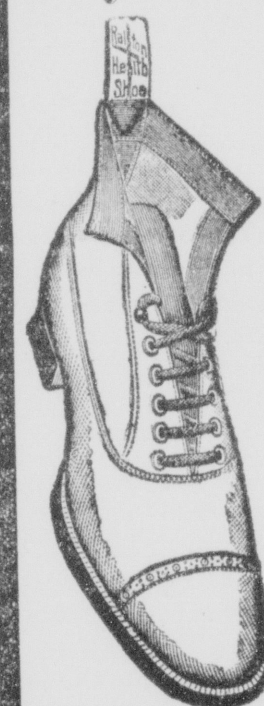
Desks, Desks.

Rugs, Rugs.

The Keyes Furniture Rooms,

66 and 68 Main Street, Telephone 161.

Good Shoes for Men.
Easy to Buy and Hard to Wear Out!



Our line of Men's GOOD SHOES at \$3.00 and \$4.00 are now at their best.

They are the product of two of the best eastern factories, making men's shoes exclusively.

The showing comprises Patents and Enamels, Box Calf, Valours Calf and Vici Kid.

Made from carefully selected stock, with double or single soles, Goodyear welted.

They fit well, look well and wear well. As a Christmas present for yourself or a friend they are especially appropriate.

Look us up before buying and you'll thank us for the suggestion.

The "GOLDEN RULE" Shoe Store,

120 Galena Ave.

FORD BROS., Managers.

Let Us Suggest

that you look over our superb line of

Suit Cases, Traveling Bags, Grips
for X-mas.

The finest line west of Chicago. Look at our window.

H. U. BARDWELL,

Harness and Horse Goods.

61 First Street,
Dixon, Ill.

Special Sale.

Commencing Today and Lasting 20 Days Only.

We are closing out the Gents' Furnishing Goods, and at the same time will give a big discount on Shoes, Overshoes and Felt Boots. The \$3.00 Queen Quality Ladies' Shoes go at \$2.50; and other lines even at a bigger cut.

Yours For Bargains,

Yates & Smith

East First Street.

We Are Selling

Pitcher Spout Pumps

with brass valve seats, for

\$1.25.

20X30

White Enamel Sinks

\$2.50.

And other goods in proportion. If you want good plumbing call on

THOMAS, The Plumber,

57 First Street.

Co. Phone 106. Central Union Phone 68

CHRISTMAS

Is near at hand; the proper question is

Have you selected the presents for father, mother, brother, sister, sweetheart, wife, husband or baby? If not, you should do so while the stocks are full and complete.

If you want good values in furniture visit our store. Three floors filled with everything imaginable and needful, and we are pleased to show our goods.

Mahogany and Golden Oak enter into the making of elegant Library and Dining Tables, Combination Book Cases, Writing Desks, Music Stands, Ladies' Dressing Tables, etc.

Every article in our store is guaranteed just as represented. We deliver to all parts of the city. Select your presents and we will deliver them on Christmas morning or when desired.

See our big values in Parlor Rockers, Morris Chairs, Flemish Pieces, Tabourettes, Center Tables, Parlor Cabinets, Couches, Kitchen Cabinets and those finely finished Sideboards and China Cabinets.

C. GONNERMAN,

59 First Street.



How To Dress.

No costume is correct and no one who wears it is well dressed unless it is fashionable in style, fits well, and is neat and in good taste.

Have Your Suit Made

by CUMMINS, the Ladies and Gentle men's Tailor, and you will have the latest in goods, the latest in style and the best workmanship; because all garments are made in Dixon by skilled mechanics.

J. F. Cummins,

118 Galena Avenue, Up Stairs.

PICTURED GIRL FOR BRIDE.

A Romance in Real Life.

Mother of the Bride Once a Teacher in this County and Known to Many of Our Readers.

Sometimes narratives of actual occurrence which rival the creations of the romancist's pen find their way into print, as for instance the following which appeared as a New York special in a recent issue of the Chicago Tribune.

Miss Caroline Whitcomb and her sister Lottie will be remembered by many of the old residents of Lee county as teachers in the Lee Center school in '63 and '64. The elder, Carrie subsequently married General Addy and lived for a time in Rochelle, where a girl was born to them, whom they called Arian. When a mere child Arian gave promise of remarkable vocal talent, and the family removed to Rogers Park that she might have the advantage of the voice culture afforded by Chicago instructors. The girl grew into lovely womanhood, bright, beautiful and gifted, and in Philadelphia where her father engaged in a commission business, she was given every opportunity to develop her talent. Here we take up the story of the Tribune:

EXPLORER WINS WIFE HE LOVED LONG BEFORE THEY MET.

A romantic story of a woman who won fame by her voice and a husband by her picture printed in an illustrated paper, and of an explorer who whiled away the tedium of the long six months' night in the Antartics by gazing admiringly upon the engraving representing a girl whose name he did not know was brot to light by a recent wedding in Europe, news of which has just been received.

A prominent member of the Belgian Antarctic expedition of a year ago, Prof. Hendryk Arctowski, (the name is not a joke) and Miss Arian Addy, a Chicagoan by birth, who has made progress as a singer in Europe, are the principals to the romance.

Prof. Arctowski and Miss Addy met for the first time in Paris last spring. They were staying at the same hotel. She was studying at the French capital with Mme. Mercheat. The young woman's father is a well-to-do commission merchant of Philadelphia, where he removed from Chicago some years ago. She was preparing to go to the continent, so her friends say, as the prima donna of the Savoy Opera company.

The professor could not himself explain a feeling that there had been a previous acquaintance between them until there flashed over his memory a beauty contest which the explorer had invented to relieve the tedium of six months antarctic night of 1898.

BEAUTY CONTEST.

The members of the expedition on the Belgio cut out from magazines and newspapers they had with them all the pictures of women they could find. All members contributed the photographs they had in their possession. All names were removed from the pictures which were mounted on cardboard and numbered, and the members of the expedition balloted to choose the most beautiful, the best natured, the most intellectual, and the most remarkable faces in every way out of the lot. Professor Arctowski voted for just one picture all the time.

Arctowski insisted that she was not only the most beautiful, but that she was the most amiable, the wisest, the wittiest, the most learned, the most tender-hearted, and that she possessed all the best attributes of womanhood in the highest degree.

Frederick A. Book of Brooklyn, the anthropologist, who was a member of the expedition, has since in speaking of the strong hold that some of the pictures took on the imaginations of some of the explorers, said it was susceptible of scientific explanation. The solitude of the polar region in the long night season, Dr. Cook said, is such that if a man has not some subject which engrosses his mind he is in danger of insanity.

FINDS HIS UNKNOWN SWEETHEART.

At any rate, Professor Arctowski fell in love with Miss Addy as soon as he set eyes on her in Paris. To his delight, he discovered that Miss Addy had been the original of that picture, which had been part of a newspaper article describing one of her earlier successes as a singer. The professor dug a diary out of his papers and showed the young woman passages he had written about her picture. He read to her letters he had written to the original of the picture when he had never been so rash as to hope that he would one day come face to face with the young woman herself. So they were married.

The Arctowskis are now living in Brussels, where Arctowski is lecturing in the university.

Prof. Cook, who is authority for the greater part of the story as it is told here, said today that the whole incident was one of the most remarkable he had ever known, whether it was viewed as a psychological study or as a purely romantic tale.

The Sun and Journal.

[From Amboy Journal.]

"Referring to the article in the Journal last week concerning the recount of population in Dixon, the esteemed Sun asks which number of THE TELEGRAPH was referred to. No particular number was referred to; reference was had to the fact that THE TELEGRAPH had refrained from advocating a recount. The Sun half seriously spoke of a recount, and the Star with its accustomed avidity for appropriating the ideas of others, caught on, so to speak, and ran the matter to an extreme that was putting Dixon and the county in a ridiculous position before the world. It is a relief to observe that the Star has taken the advice of the Journal and dropped the matter.

An official enumeration is made by a person selected by the citizens of the district he enumerates, as a proper and suitable person for the work; and known to be favorable in the district and desirous of making a good showing for it, and is sworn to make full and correct returns. The presumptions are all in favor of his count being correct. To doubt its correctness is to cast reflections upon the integrity of the enumerator. To ask for, and to insist on a recount, is virtually a charge of treachery and perjury against the enumerator; it is an action too grave and serious to be entered upon without sufficient grounds; and those grounds would be necessarily based upon specific charges against the enumerator.

The suggestion of the Sun was not made seriously, and would have been forgotten, having attracted little or no attention; but when the Star pressed the matter with a vehemence and persistence that was bringing ridicule and contempt upon the county, the Journal entered a mild protest, which has had the desired effect. The Star accepts the situation rather ungraciously, but we excuse the petulance and ingratitude."

We may add to the Journal's editorial that we clearly demonstrated at the time that Dixon has an increase during the past decade (being about 74 per cent) and a population that is quite satisfactory to our people. Neither the Sun nor Star understood until THE TELEGRAPH demonstrated the fact that certain suburbs that belong to Dixon were not taken into the enumeration as a part of the city, but placed in Dixon township on the schedules, thus making the reported population more than a thousand less than it really was. We believe that both the Sun and Star are satisfied with our explanation, and have dropped the absurd proposition of retaking the census. At least the people are satisfied, and satisfaction among a people always satisfies newspapers.

U. S. Postal Service.

We often find in the newspapers, especially those of the calamity class, much criticism upon the management of the affairs of government, but it must be confessed by those inclined to fairness that the finances, pension, patent and many other affairs deserve not much complaint we hear, as the reports of the different departments indicate.

A gratifying feature of the splendid showing made by the administration of the postoffice department is to be found in the report of the registry division. Some idea of the accuracy with which this important branch of the service has been conducted may be gathered from the fact that of 19,000,000 articles of mail handled last year only 87 were lost thru negligence or dishonesty.

The government itself in the same time transmitted \$1,677,500,000 thru the mails and not a penny of this was lost.

One oft-repeated objection to government management of any large business enterprise is that the corruption and negligence incidental to political manipulation of offices makes it perilous to intrust such functions to the control of men interested in politics. The report of the registry division indicates that it may be possible to obviate this danger: The facts merely show what kind of service may be obtained when the control of such a department falls into the hands of able and responsible men, who have the ability to manage complex systems and the honesty to insist that every possible safeguard be maintained.

Baum's Team Wins.

In the contest at the Dixon bowling alleys last evening W. D. Baum's team won two out of the three games played with Wesley Howell's team. The individual scores and totals were as follows:

	1st game	2d	3d	Total
R. Page	148	100	122	370
Hedenreich	118	140	125	283
C. Gonnerman	148	125	119	392
Dr. Morris	118	151	124	403
Howell, Capt	146	119	163	428
Totals	678	635	660	1973

	1st game	2d	3d	Total
Lee Reed	142	149	103	394
F. Ingraham	156	121	132	409
L. Rosbrook	155	128	169	452
Block	103	124	161	388
Baum, Capt	120	154	119	423
Totals	676	676	714	2066

—Carl Page and Walter Merriman's teams will play tonight.

—H. E. Chadwick of Ashton was a Dixon visitor yesterday with his son Edward and family.

Standing Room Only.

All who attended "Wicked London" as produced by M. B. Streeter and the Bon Ton Stock Co. at the Opera House last night were pleased with the entire performance. Mr. M. B. Streeter as Hiram H. Walker, was done in his clever style and Miss Lillie Morrill as "Betsy" Darnell, was as fine a piece of character acting as is ever seen here. Both the scenery and specialties were good. The White Hussar Orchestra, under the direction of Prof. Greenwood, is an important feature of the show. This evening will be given "Grit, or True as Steel."

Amboy Schools.

The report of the Amboy public schools shows a continuation of interest and high per cent of attendance that has been so marked for the few years past. The per cent of attendance at the high school is 98.5, the enrollment being 65, and average daily attendance 64. The per cent has been as high as 100 during the pleasant months of the fall. The schools are all showing excellent work and steady growth under Supt. Dunlap, Principal Fox, and their able and faithful staff of teachers.

Minstrels.

"Oliver Scott's Big Minstrels," is the title of the next attraction that will appear in this city. The company is composed of forty genuine negroes. As a musical organization it is said to be very superior. A large brass band and a very fine orchestra lend additional charm to their entertainments. There are a number of very fetching specialties, and the wardrobe and scenery are said to surpass anything of the kind ever carried by a colored minstrel company. Dixon Opera House, Monday, December 24th.

Will Wed Tonight.

At 8 o'clock this evening will occur the marriage of Hugh Miller, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Miller of this city, and Miss Anna Smith of Harrisburg, Pa. Rev. W. C. Spencer of the Baptist church will officiate and the service will be performed at No. 207 Boyd street, North Dixon, where they will make their home.

Not Chronic.

Ex-president Cleveland is free to give his opinion as to the trouble which afflicts the Democratic party. His diagnosis of the case is exhaustive but the real cause of the party's almost fatal illness, he says, is freetrade and Populism. A synopsis of his letter is given in our telegraphic news this evening.

M. W. A. Meeting.

—The regular meeting of Camp 56, Modern Woodmen of America, will be held tonight. It will be a very important meeting as the plans for a reserve fund are to be discussed. The meeting will be called at 7:30 o'clock sharp. ROYAL JONES, Clerk.

—E. C. Morgan went east this morning.

—G. A. Raymer is reported better this morning.

—John Byington is expected from Lanark tonight.

—Miss Lucile Morrison entertained her girl friends Tuesday evening.

—Josie and Lizzie Dowd of Harmon were in the city shopping yesterday.

—F. E. Clink returned last evening where he was visiting his parents near there.

—Dr. and Mrs. James Pankhurst drove down from Grand Detour this morning.

—The Dixon Club will give an informal dancing party tonight for members and their families from 8 to 12 o'clock.

—A purse lost on Second street Monday evening has the owner's card in it and should be returned by the finder.

—Mrs. A. P. Armington and children went to Racine, Wisconsin, this morning to spend the holidays with relatives.

—Mrs. Harvey E. Williams and daughter Ella went to Chicago this morning to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Clark Hampton at Wilmette.

—The Women's Christian Temperance Union will meet with Mrs. Della Rowland, Shields' Flat, tomorrow, Friday, at 2:30 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to all ladies who are interested in the work. Come and see what they are doing.

—Mattie Hardwick Leach, who will be remembered by her many friends as an attendant at one of our Dixon schools before her marriage, writes that her mother, Mrs. Thomas M. Hardwick, died on Tuesday at her home in Merritt, Illinois.

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A PATRIOTIC SCHEME

THE TOWN WAS IN FAVOR OF FLYING THE FLAG PERPETUALLY.

Pap Perkins, Postmaster of Jericho, Tells How Dissension Marred the Discussion of the Proposition and How the Project Ended.

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It was Enos Hopkins who got the idea that Jericho should prove her patriotism to the world at large by displaying the American flag for seven days a week. He got the idea one Sunday mornin as he lay in bed, and he hugged it to his soul and chuckled over it for a week before he said anything to a livin soul. Everybody knew by his actions that somethin was up, but they couldn't figger out exactly what it was. At length, when Saturday night came, and there was the usual crowd at the postoffice, he shot off his gun. He had his speech all prepared. He told how the American flag was first flung to the breeze—how men cheered for liberty as they saw it—how it had given freedom to a continent and brought happiness to millions. Men had fought cheerin for that flag, and men had died bleedin it. He wanted it hoisted in Jericho at sunrise every day in the year, and he wanted children to cry for it and men and women to venerate it. Monday was wash day in Jericho, and front yards and back yards made a beautiful showin of sheets and shirts and



"HAVE WE NO PUBLIC SPIRIT AMONG US?" towels and tablecloths, but above them all would flap and flap the flag which had covered the heroes of Bunker Hill as they died in the cause of liberty.

As soon as the crowd had recovered from its surprise and begun to cheer Deacon Spooner said it was a mighty strong pint and one worthy of a leadin patriot of Jericho. He was heartily in favor of the idea, and he would then and there contribute 13 cents toward the purchase of a public flag. He also thought a vote of thanks was due Enos for his entusiasm in thinkin out the idea. A flappin, dopplin flag hoisted to the balm breezes of Jericho would give the town worldwide fame and probably result in a boom.

Then Hosea Saunders spoke. His grandfather had died while fightin under the stars and stripes. His father had fallen and killed himself while climbin a flagpole. His mother had wrapped him in the flag of liberty when he was born, and he had long thought of havin a group of stars tattooed between his shoulders. He loved his wife and children, and he set a heap of value on his hoss and cow, but he loved the flag of his country more. It was hard times, and money was tight, but he would go without tobacco for a month in order to contribute a shillin toward the purchase of a flag. With his own hands, if agreeable to all, he would hoist the emblem at sunrise and lower it at sunset durin the rest of his natural life.

The deacon said that was also a beautiful speech, with a mighty strong pint to it, and the feelin's of the crowd had got so worked up over freedom and liberty that tears stood in many eyes. Hosea was followed by Squar Joslyn, Philatus Williams, Abraham White and others, and there was frequent cheerin and shakin hands. About ten years ago Abijah Davison's dog tore the ear off a hog owned by Joel Hardman, and the men have been enemies ever since, but under the excitement and the patriotism engendered by them speeches they fell into each other's arms and became brothers ag'in. It was finally settled that a public contribution should be taken up to buy a \$15 flag, and then came the question of where it should be raised. Enos Hopkins, who had started it all, got up in a modest way and said he would go to the expense of plantin a pole in front of his house. It was on high ground, and the flag could be seen from every house in Jericho.

"We shouldn't put Enos to all that trouble," said Deacon Spooner as he rose up. "He's done his sheer in thinkin out the plan. I'll see that the flag is duly displayed from the roof of my cooper shop when it arrives."

"What's the matter with hoistin it over my grocery?" asked Dan Skinner as he wiped the tears of emotion from his eyes.

"Or with hoistin it over my coal yard?" said Parina Waterman, who calculated to chip in 10 cents and no more.

Then everybody bobbed up and demanded to be heard. Every man present wanted that flag in front of his house or place of business and nowhere else, and purty soon they was shakin their fists and sayin they'd be burned if they wouldn't have it there or refuse to contribute a red cent. There was a lively row on in two minits, with no more weepin over patriotism. As the row grew hotter Abijah Davison turned to Joel Hardman and

said he was gadd his dog had bit the ear off that hog and that he'd like to serve Joel the same way. Deacon Spooner rattled on the stovepipe with his cane until he quieted the racket, and then he said:

"Teller patriots, but have we no public spirit among us?"
"We have!" yelled the crowd.
"Then let us exhibit it. Bein my cooper shop is the highest buildin in town and bein the American flag has got to flip-flap in the breeze to be seen and venerated, I unselfishly offer to put up a pole and take charge of the flag."

"So do I!" shouts every man in the crowd.

Then Squar Joslyn made a speech. He told how a million men had died for that flag; how its stars and bars had made tyrants tremble; how a young nation had worshiped it and made all the world respect it. He wound up after ten minits by offerin to float it from his hoss barn, but only hisses and groans followed. There was signs that three or four patriots would soon be pinchin each other's head when Lish Billings stroled in in that careless way of his. Deacon Spooner pounded and rattled till he got order and then said:

"I want to hear from Lish Billings on this matter. Mebbe he can suggest somethin. Lish, what place in Jericho would you say the American flag ought to float from?"

"How many stars are there on the American flag?" calmly asks Lish. Nobody could tell.

"Well, how many stripes?" Nobody could tell.

"Pears to me," said Lish as he started to wander out ag'in—"pears to me that as none of you can tell the difference between the American flag and a tablecloth you'd better hang up an old army blanket most anywhere and let it go at that."

And at the end of five minits more there wasn't a patriot left in the postoffice, and nothin more has ever been said about buyin a public flag.

M. QUAD.

A PORTER'S MISTAKE.

The Story of a Lady's Frizzes and an Actor's Rage.

As the porter passed through the car he called him aside. There was a whisper and a gleam of silver.

"Now, remember they are in the yellow satchel."

"You can't miss dem, ma'am."

"You won't let any one's see you?"

"No, ma'am."

"The major is sitting in that car."

"He won't see me, ma'am."

"Well, here is the key."

The porter took the key and passed through to the next car.

"Guess dis am it," he said, slipping the thin key in the lock of a yellow satchel. He put his hand in the satchel and pulled out a bunch of hair. Then he relocked the satchel.

"Heah's yo' frizzes, ma'am?"

"Don't speak so loud!"

"Anything else, ma'am?"

"That's all, I believe. I just have a minute to put these on before dinner."

The porter reached the platform in time to meet an irate tragedian.

"Not a step!" he thundered in tones that almost lifted the porter's cap. "What have you done with my whiskers, boy?"

"Your whiskers, sah?"

"Yes; my false beard. The passengers say you opened my satchel with a skeleton key. Where are those whiskers?"

"Laws," muttered the porter, "Ah went in de wrong satchel!"

Just then a lady passed toward the dining car.

"Dah's yo' whiskers, sah," grinned the porter, "on top ob dat lady's haid!"

—Chicago News.

The Dust of Ocean.

A "dusty" ocean highway sounds almost incredible. Yet those who are familiar with sailing ships know that no matter how carefully the decks may be washed down in the morning and how little work of any kind may be done during the day nevertheless if the decks are not swept at nightfall an enormous quantity of dust will quickly collect. Of course on the modern "liner" the burning of hundreds of tons of coal every 24 hours and the myriads of footfalls daily would account for a considerable accumulation of dust, but on a "wind jammer," manned with a dozen hands or less, no such dust-producing agencies are at work. And yet the records of sailing ships show that they collect more sea dust than does a steamer, which is probably accounted for by the fact that while the dust laden smoke blows clear of the steamer the large area of canvas spread by the sailer acts as a dust collector.—Mariner.

The Star Chamber.

The "star chamber" was so called from the place in which the court was held in one of the rooms of the king's palace in Westminster. Upon the ceilings were stars, hence the camera stellata, or chamber of stars. It was of very ancient origin and had excessive powers, but could not pronounce the death penalty. It was abolished by act of parliament in 1641 during the reign of Charles I, but this unfortunate monarch was sentenced to be beheaded from this same "star chamber."

It Hurt Him.

Candid Friend—I think young Rymer, the poet, felt hurt at a remark you made the other night.

His Companion—What did I say?
C. F.—You said there was only one Shakespeare.—Exchange.

The lead pencil originated with the discovery of the graphite mines in England in 1564, during the reign of Queen Elizabeth.

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THEY SLEEP HANGING UP.

Sloths and Bats Suspend Themselves Without Exertion.

There is one animal which lives entirely in trees, but is able to maintain its position during slumber without the least exercise of muscular force. This is the sloth, common in the forests of tropical America. Its long claws are so bent that they hook over the branches and allow the creature to hang upside down like an animated hammock. Curiously enough, the hammock appears to be a South American invention and is universally employed by all the Indian tribes of the Amazons. Perhaps the primitive human dwellers in this region took to sleeping in hammocks after observing the habits of the sloth.

The great ant eater, which is both a kinsman and fellow countryman of the sloth, has an enormous tail, which it uses in a very remarkable manner. I recently saw two of these strange animals lying together asleep, and they had arranged their tails so cleverly that their whole bodies were hidden from view. Moreover, it was evident that this caudal covering would afford excellent protection from the weather, for the central solid part of the tails acted as a kind of ridge pole over the highest part of the sleepers' bodies, so that the long fringes of hair sloped downward on each side like the thatch upon a roof.

Like the sloths, many kinds of bats sleep suspended by their hooked claws without any muscular exertion whatever. Some of the large fruit eating bats of the tropics, which do not sleep in holes like the species common in southern latitudes, but which hang suspended to the branches of trees in the open air, adopt a position which it would be difficult to beat for economy and comfort. Gould's fruit eating bat, common in the warmer parts of Australia, suspends itself upside down by one hind foot and wraps its body in the tentlike folds of its wing membranes, which extend right down to the ankles. Its shoulders, to which the membrane is attached, are humped up so as to act as eaves to shoot off the rain, and when asleep it draws its head under their shelter and nestles its nose among the warm fur of its chest.

SAVED BY PALMISTRY.

Tattered Individual Proves His Case by Showing His Hands.

"Reasoning from antecedent probability," said the justice to a prisoner with a sappy hat and a turned down mouth, "I would say that when this policeman accuses you of being a tramp he is speaking with a high regard for the truth."

"Knowing little about logic," the defendant replied, "I am unable to say whether I am guilty on that proof. But by palmistry I am innocent. My life line is good, my capacity for hard work is simply astonishing, and my confidence in my own ability is superb."

"Score one for palmistry. Now hold up your hands."

They went up.

"I can't tell whether you have worked by the looks of those hands," said the justice. "But in the interest of the spread of knowledge I will digress and say to you that an article known as soap was invented some years ago."

"Never heard of it," said the prisoner cheerfully, "and I know just as much about my guilt or innocence as I do about soap. You might try me by a jury of my peers."

"Your peers are too busy telling fairy tales to bartenders on this muggy morning to come out to help the ends of justice. The dollar they'd get for jury service would make them die of heart disease."

"A doctor told me I'd never have that," the prisoner said.

"I'm not intensely interested in the state of your health," the justice said coldly. "I don't know whether you're a tramp, and neither do you. I am inclined to the opinion that you are, but I guess no policeman will arrest you between here and the corner."

The prisoner made the trial trip successfully and was seen no more.—Chicago Journal.

"Low Neck Dinners."

A few days ago a lady in pursuit of a cook was interviewing and being interviewed at a certain employment bureau. "I shall want you to go into the country with me," she remarked to the mighty personage, who was eying her from head to foot. "Yez, mam; and do yez have low neck dinners, mam?" Mrs. Cook inquired. "Low neck dinners?" What do you mean by that?" said the lady. "Well, mam, do yez eat yez dinner in low neck dresses? I hev a frind who says she'll not take no place unless the family eats in low necks, an I thought I wouldn't either." So this is what we are all coming to! Not even our domestics will endure "plain living," and if one wants a \$6 cook she can't have her without promising to "eat in low necks."—Post & Herald.

The Dog's Watchfulness.

The dog's watchfulness, so much and so thoughtlessly lauded as the expression of his devotion to man, is merely the instinctive watchfulness necessary to his safety in a wild state and is a characteristic which he would exercise quite as readily for his own kind and the preservation of his lair as he would for the benefit of man. When he barks at strange dogs or gives warning at night of the approach of strangers, it should not be overlooked that he considers his own home is disturbed, though it may be the home of his master. Much depends on the point of view.—B. Waters in Forest and Stream.

Afloat and Ashore.

"How about that Atlantic liner?"
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"That's good. I heard there was a rumor afloat that she was ashore."

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What Shall We Have for Desert?
This question arises in the family every day. Let us answer it today. Try Jell-O, a delicious desert. Prepared in two minutes. No baking! add hot water and set to cool. Flavors:—Lemon, Orange, Raspberry and Strawberry. At your grocers. 10 cts. 5

DR. LOYAL FORD'S DYSPEPTIC-CIDE is a cure, not a mere relief from indigestion. It digests the food and makes the stomach right. Rowland Bros.

Jell-O, The New Desert, pleases all the family. Four flavors:—Lemon, Orange, Raspberry and Strawberry. At your grocers. 10 cts. Try it today. 5

\$1000 Worth of Good.
A. H. Thurness of Willis Creek Coal Co., Buffalo, O., writes: "I have been afflicted with kidney and bladder trouble for years, passing gravel or stones, with excruciating pain. Other medicines only gave relief. After taking FOLEY'S KIDNEY CURE the result was surprising. A few doses started the brick dust, like fine stones, etc., and now I have no pain across my kidneys and I feel like a new man. FOLEY'S KIDNEY CURE has done me \$1000 worth of good." Take no substitute. Rowland Bros.

Don't use any of the counterfeits of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Most of them are worthless or liable to cause injury. The original DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is a certain cure for piles, eczema, cuts, scalds, burns, sores and skin diseases. Rowland Bros.

The person who disturbed the congregation last Sunday by coughing, is requested to call on—and get a bottle of FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR. It always gives relief. Rowland Bros.

DeWitt's Little Early Risers are dainty little pills, but they never fail to cleanse the liver, remove obstructions and invigorate the system. Rowland Bros.

COLD and cough cures are numerous, but the one that leads all others in merit is FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR which is in so great demand these DAYS. Rowland Bros.

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For Pneumonia.
Dr. C. J. Bishop, Agnew, Mich., says: "I have used FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR in three very severe cases of pneumonia with good results in every case. There is nothing so good. Rowland Bros.

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Benj. Ingerson, of Hutton, Ind., says he had not spoken a word above a whisper for months, and one bottle of FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR restored his voice. It is used largely by speakers and singers. Take no substitute. Rowland Bros.

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C. S. ARNOLD of Youngstown, Ill., in writing of DR. FORD'S DYSPEPTIC-CIDE, says: My wife has taken 3 bottles of Dyspepticide and, I believe, permanently cured of indigestion, constipation and sick headache, with which she has been troubled for twenty or more years. Money can not estimate the good it has done her." Rowland Bros.

For Drunkenness and Drug Using
Keeley Cure THE PARENT INSTITUTE, DWIGHT, ILL.

NO HELP FOR TELEGRAPHERS

Other Railway Employees on the Santa Fe Seem to Lack Sympathy.

Chicago, Dec. 20.—The committee representing the engineers, firemen, conductors and trainmen of the Santa Fe railway system, which is holding conferences with the management here, declared last night that it would not advise a strike in sympathy with the telegraphers. It issued the following statement: "As members of the committee representing the engineers, firemen and trainmen on the Tachison, Topeka and Santa Fe railway we wish to say that at the request of the telegraphers we have endeavored to bring about a satisfactory settlement of the differences between the railroad company and the telegraphers.

"After a careful and thorough investigation of the causes that led to the controversy, and after listening to the statements of the telegraphers and also statements from Mr. Barr, third vice president of the road, we wish to say to the public as well as to the members of the different organizations which we represent that while we regret that we were not able to bring about a settlement between the telegraphers and the railroad company, we also wish to advise the members of the organizations represented by us that the labors of the committee are completed and the attitude of our members will be neutral during the existence of the present controversy."

The Tribune says: "The request made by the committee to Mr. Barr was that he now reinstate as many of the striking telegraphers as possible, and take back the others as rapidly as possible. Mr. Barr refused the request. * * * Following the conference with Mr. Barr, the committee held a conference with President Dolphin of the telegraphers. Mr. Dolphin sought to persuade the committee it was the duty of their organization to stand by the telegraphers, but he was unable to do so. Later the members of the committee stated they considered the strike of the telegraphers illadvised."

FREE SPEECH AT CHICAGO

University Professors or Officials Are Absolutely Unconcerned.

Chicago, Dec. 20.—In announcing the latest gift to Chicago university by John D. Rockefeller, the president of the university took occasion to state that "In the University of Chicago neither the trustees nor the president, nor any one in official position has at any time called an instructor to account for any public utterances which he may have made."

"In order not to be misunderstood I wish to say that no donor of funds to the university—and I include in the number of donors the founder of the university, Mr. Rockefeller—has ever by a single word or act indicated his dissatisfaction with the instruction given to the students of the university, or with the public expression of opinion made by an officer of the university. I vouch for the truth of this statement and I trust it may have the largest possible publicity."

Rockefeller's gift of \$1,500,000 Tuesday makes his total gifts to the university \$9,204,374. The aggregate of gifts received is over \$10,000,000.

Cost of Wisconsin's Printing.

Madison, Wis., Dec. 20.—The state printing commissioners completed their biennial report which they will make to Governor Scofield, showing the amount expended for printing in each state department. The total for 1899 was \$69,342.25 and for 1900 \$48,769.52, the larger amount in 1899 being largely due to the session of the legislature. These figures include the cost of paper used.

Business Is Coming Our Way.

London, Dec. 20.—The Daily Chronicle announces that a contract for 20,000 tons of steel rails and fish plates for the Victorian railways, has been placed with the Illinois Steel company, of Chicago.

THE MARKETS.

Chicago Grain and Produce.

Chicago, Dec. 19.

Following were the quotations on the Board of Trade today:

Wheat—Open, High, Low, Close.
December ... 69 1/2 69 3/4 69 1/2 69 3/4
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Corn—Open, High, Low, Close.

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Oats—Open, High, Low, Close.

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Produce: Butter—Extra creamery,

24c per lb extra dairy, 21c; packing stock, 12 1/2c; Eggs—Fresh stock, 24c; 65c per doz. Dressed poultry—Young turkeys, 3c per lb; chickens, 10c; 65c; ducks, 75c; geese, \$5.00 per 50 per doz. Potatoes—Fair to choice, 35c; 10c per bu. Apples—Common to choice, \$1.50 per 50; 25c per bu. Cranberries—Cape Cod, \$8.00 per 50; 25c per bu. and bugle, \$8.50.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Dec. 19.

Hogs—Estimated receipts for the day, 39,000. Sales ranged at \$4.00 to \$4.70 for pigs, \$4.50 to \$5.15 for light, \$4.50 to \$5.15 for rough packing, \$4.60 to \$4.90 for mixed, and \$4.70 to \$4.90 for heavy packing and shipping lots, with the bulk of the sales at \$4.75 to \$4.85.

Cattle—Estimated receipts for the day, 12,500. Quotations ranged at \$6.00 to \$7.30 for Christmas steers, \$5.80 to \$6.50 for choice, to extra steers, \$5.50 to \$6.50 for good to choice, \$4.75 to \$5.25 for fair to good, \$4.40 to \$4.90 for common to medium, \$4.10 to \$4.50 for butchers' steers, \$4.50 to \$5.00 for fed western steers, \$2.50 to \$4.00 for stockers and feeders, \$1.75 to \$4.25 for cows, \$2.50 to \$4.50 for heifers, \$2.50 to \$4.25 for bulls and oxen, \$4.00 to \$6.00 for Texas steers, \$2.50 to \$4.00 for calves, \$4.00 to \$6.00 for calves, \$4.00 to \$6.00 for calves, \$4.00 to \$6.00 for calves.

Sheep and Lambs—Estimated receipts for the day, 12,000; quotations ranged at \$2.50 to \$4.00 for western lambs, \$2.50 to \$4.00 for western lambs, \$2.50 to \$4.00 for western lambs, \$2.50 to \$4.00 for western lambs.

Milwaukee Grain.

Chicago, Dec. 19.

Wheat—Dull; No. 1 northern, 72 1/2c; No. 2 northern, 69 1/2c; Rye—Firm; No. 1, 51c; Barley—Firm; No. 2, 60c; sample, 55c; Oats—Steady; No. 2 white, 25 1/2c.

REVENUE REDUCTION.

Senate Likely to Materially Change the House Bill.

ANNOYING TAXES TO BE WIPED OUT

Senator Hanna Deeply Interested in the Shipping Subsidy Bill—Discussing the Hay-Pauncefote Treaty—A Congressional Wit.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—[Special.]—It is evidently the intention of the senate committee on finance to make some material changes in the house bill for the reduction of war revenue. In fact, it was known that the reduction of the beer tax by the ways and means committee was the result of conferences between the members of that committee and senators on the finance committee. The latter said the reduction of the revenue must be greater than the \$30,000,000 first provided for by the house. The senators for the most part are satisfied with the bill, but some of them think some changes should be made, so that all the taxes which are most annoying should be wiped out. The Republican members of the ways and means committee look forward to the next congress with thankfulness that their majority is greater than now. Several times during the consideration of the bill in the house the opposition, aided by a few Republicans, were able to defeat the majority of the committee. This is not usually possible where there is a majority such as the Republicans will have in the next house. The Republican senators think there will be no difficulty about passing the revenue reduction measure, although a small filibuster may be inaugurated against it by those opposing the shipping bill.

Senator Hanna Interested.

I don't suppose there was ever any man so much interested in any measure as Senator Hanna is in the shipping subsidy bill. He makes things rather uncomfortable for those who get in his way and delay the consideration of the measure. He has been interested in other legislation, but it has been of a character in which others have been vitally interested, these others being old and experienced legislators. I have in mind at this time the Paris peace treaty, which was so earnestly advocated and in fact put through the senate by men like Aldrich, Allison, Hanna, Elkins and Lodge. But the shipping bill has been Senator Hanna's pet, and he cannot understand the many obstacles that are found in the way. He does not realize clearly how it is possible for men to talk and talk on measures so long and to occupy so much time. It may be mentioned, however, that a determined minority in the senate have ample resources to defeat any measure which they oppose in a short session, and this minority seems determined to give the vigorous Ohio senator some uncomfortable days of waiting before a vote is taken on the shipping bill.

Behind Closed Doors.

Owing to the length of time that it has taken to reach any kind of a conclusion upon the Hay-Pauncefote treaty the senate has spent more time this session behind closed doors than in actual open session. Usually when such an important matter as this is under consideration senators who desire to have their views become known seek methods of making speeches on similar subjects in open session. I remember that during the time the peace treaty was pending which would decide whether or not the United States should acquire the Philippines a dozen or more different resolutions were introduced by senators and kept perpetually before the senate, and senators who desired to talk upon the subject of the Philippines, the Paris treaty or anything that was covered in the stipulations of that treaty used these resolutions for that purpose, the result being that the views of most of the senators became well known to the country at large. There was considerable discussion of the peace treaty behind closed doors, the principal speeches being made by the late Senator Davis, Senator Frye and Senator Gray, who were members of the commission. All senators will not take advantage of the privilege of talking on resolutions in order to get their views before the public, quite a number being strict constructionists on the propriety as to what should be discussed in public.

A Congressman at Large.

Representative Cushman of Washington is a man who is never afraid to crack a joke at his own expense. He is one of the new members of congress, who early realized that his election to the house, no matter what his own people may have thought, did not create a profound sensation throughout the country. Taking this view of the matter, he has been able to make quite a name for himself as a wit by giving expression to the ridiculous side of a new congressman's experiences and aspirations. He has talked about the capitol building "tipping downward" when the new congressman passes from one end to the other, and has also been facetious concerning the overwhelming influence the new member exerts while on the committee on acoustics, liquor traffic or expenditures of the agricultural department.

For the first two weeks of the present session Mr. Cushman could not attend because of illness. "I am surprised," he remarked sarcastically when he did arrive, "to find that the wheels of legislation have been going around, although I have been absent. I also think it strange that there has not been any comment in the public press about the absence of a congressman at large from the faroff state of Washington."

ARTHUR W. DUNK.

ETHICS OF FISHING.

A SCIENTIFIC VIEW OF THE ALLEGED CRUELTY OF THE SPORT.

The Creatures Are Most Happy When They Are Hooked—They Have Little Capacity For Suffering and Even Little Pleasure In Eating.

A little boy was fishing for the first time. With the customary luck of a beginner he had bass and perch galore to answer the invitation of his bait.

Presently the impulses of the humane side of his nature made a little hesitating protest against the more savage instincts of the sportsmanlike side. The wriggling of the fish when he caught them troubled him, and he sought to apologize to his conscience for the suffering he was apparently inflicting. He said, "I think the reason they jump so is that they are so glad to get out of that wet water."

Curiously enough, if we may accept the testimony of the scientists, the little boy was quite right. A fish is never so happy as when he is drawn out of the water. The air is to him quite all that laughing gas is to a human being. It gives him a hundred times more oxygen per second than his gills ever got for him from the inhalation of water. It makes him delightfully drunk, en. It exhilarates him. It fills him with a completeness of physical joy—the only joy he is capable of feeling—wholly unknown to him in his native element. He dies presently, it is true, but he dies in an ecstasy of enjoyment instead of dying in his appointed fashion by suffocation in the maw of some bigger fish.

In a footnote to the thirteenth canto of "Don Juan" Byron denounces Isaac Walton as a "sentimental savage" and characterizes fishing as "the crudest, the coldest of pretended sports." That only shows how little Byron knew about the matter. His sports involved the sacrifice of women rather than worms.

It is time to set this matter of fishing upon its moral legs, as it were, an end to be accomplished merely by telling the truth about it. A fish is the very lowest form of the vertebrates. It is incapable of any joy except that of getting hooked and thus drawn out of the water to which its nature condemns it and for a time breathing the air that intoxicates it in delightfully deadly fashion. It has not even the instinct of sexual association except in the case of a few rare species. It knows nothing of companionship, for the scientists tell us that even when fish swim in "schools" it is only because they are engaged in a common predatory pursuit of prey, each endeavoring to snatch from the others the morsels they seek to swallow.

So low in the scale is the fish that even in eating he has no pleasure except that of distending his stomach. For the scientists find no "taste buds" at the base of his tongue, and every fisherman knows that the fish swallows his prey whole, with no possibility of detecting its flavor. And further, every fisherman who has trolled knows that the fish is so far an indiscriminate gourmand in his search for food that he will swallow a coffee spoon with a bur attached as readily as the daintiest bait morsel that could be displayed in front of his greedy eyes and his rapacious mouth.

Still, again, every fish that is caught upon a hook gets only what he deserves. He is caught every time in an attempt to swallow some other creature whole and digest it in slow torture. Indeed the entire life of every fish is passed in a ceaseless endeavor to catch and swallow other fish. So far as science can discover, fish of most species make no distinction even in favor of their own young, their only ground of selection being a consideration for their individual throats in the act of swallowing. On that account alone the severely spined sunfish escapes the predatory perch, and the bullhead the moment his "horns" are hard ceases to be in danger even from the most voracious of pickers.

The fisherman is not a monster of wanton cruelty. He is merely a descendant of Adam exercising that "dominion" over inferior creatures which God authorized him to exercise.—George Cary Eggleston in New York World.

A Lunatic's Wit.

As Horace Mann sat in his study one evening an insane man rushed into the room and after abusing him for all kinds of fancied grievances challenged him to a fight.

Mr. Mann replied: "My dear fellow, it would give me a great pleasure to accommodate you, but I can't do it, the odds are so unfair. I am a Mann by name and a man by nature—two against one! It would never do to fight."

The insane man answered: "Come ahead. I am a man and a man beside myself. Let us four have a fight."

Don't Be Slow.

If a child is "slow" around home and takes an hour to dress when only a quarter of that time is necessary, it is a bad habit. The "slow" men and women are those who fail to make a success of life. How often you see grown people tinker about something a half a day that could be done in an hour! They learned the habit as children.—Aitchison Globe.

An Insinuation.

Lawyer (examining witness)—Where was your maid at the time?

Lady—In my boudoir, arranging my hair.

Lawyer—And were you there also?

Lady indignantly—Sir!—Exchange.

The men of war of the Romans had a crew of about 225 men, of which 174 were oarsmen working on three decks. The speed of these vessels was about 12 miles an hour in fair weather.

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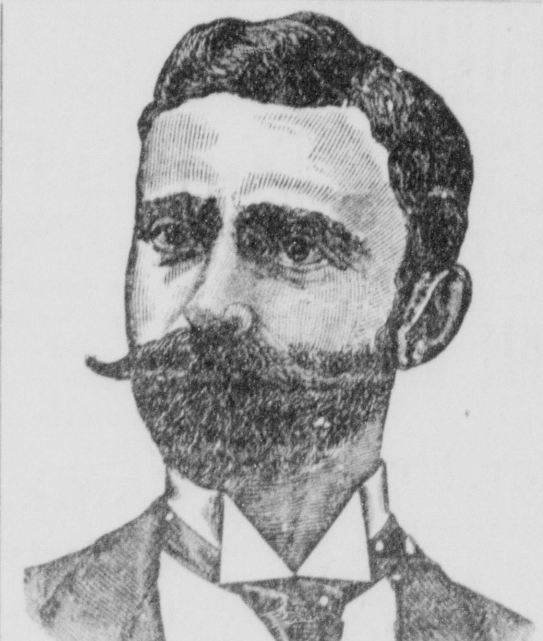
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LOT 6. 123 Men's Modern Overcoats. Made of the new Oxford Gray and Brown mixed, rough-faced Vicunas, half silk lined with fancy Striped Worsteds body linings. K. N. & F. wholesaled these for \$15.00. We retail them for..... 10.00

LOT 7. Men's Very Well Overcoats. Raglans and Chestfields. Made well in all the new shades of gray and blue. K. N. & F. wholesaled these coats for \$18. We retail them for..... 13.50



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—The Rebecca staff will meet tomorrow night.

—Mrs. Myra Dement of Madison avenue is quite ill.

—Dr. Cryor is suffering from an attack of grippe.

—Mr. and Mrs. John Worley are in from Franklin Grove.

—Miss Katherine M. Riley is spending the day in Chicago.

—William Darling is here from Chicago calling on old friends.

—An informal dance will be given at the club rooms this evening.

—The eight year old son of Walter Merriman is very ill with pneumonia.

—J. W. Staples returned last evening from a three days stay in Chicago.

—Julius Lyod Jr. has returned from a three months stay in Chicago.

—Miss Rebecca Williams has gone to Clinton, Iowa, to spend the holidays.

—J. A. Lloyd will exhibit his pictures at Emanuel church in South Dixon tonight.

—Election of officers at the regular meeting of Dorothy Chapter O. E. S. tomorrow evening.

—William H. Rink, who has been ill for the past ten days, is better and able to be out again.

—O. L. Baird sold two sixteen-month-old hogs yesterday whose aggregate weight was 885 pounds.

—A little daughter came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Briscoe of Lincoln avenue this morning.

—Read the new advertisement of Frank E. Bellamy elsewhere. He has something to sell that everybody wants.

—After a six-month's visit in this city, Mrs. Henry Davlin and daughter have returned to their home in Plankington, S. D.

—The devotional meeting of the Candlelighters will be held at the Presbyterian church tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

—George Moore returned this morning for the holidays from St. Louis, where he is attending the St. Louis Medical College.

—The Frost King and Santa Claus at the Presbyterian church tonight at 7 o'clock with a consignment of candy. No admission fee. Everybody welcome.

—Advertisements charged this evening: Todd's Hat Store; H. Camp & Son; D. F. Greenawalt & Co.; Keyes' Furniture Rooms; Theo. J. Miller; J. H. Morris & Son.

—Mrs. Geo. Atkins, accompanied by Harry Wells who has been visiting here, left for Benton Harbor, Mich., this morning to visit her daughter, Mrs. Harry Waterman.

—Hon. H. M. Bacon, Assistant Superintendent of the Registry System under the Third Assistant Postmaster General, was here from Washington and looked over the Dixon postoffice.

—Princeton Record: Mrs. D. H. Law of Dixon, who is the guest of Miss Grace Bryant, spoke to a number of ladies last evening at the home of Mrs. J. W. Bailey, upon the subject of manual training.

—Prof. Brosnan returned this morning from a three days' visit in Chicago. Tonight is the time the watch will be given away at the dance and it is anticipated a large crowd will attend this dance.

—A special from Colorado Springs says: Mrs. Sarah A. Whitcomb, an old and wealthy resident of Morrison, Whiteside county, died suddenly of pneumonia. With her husband she was returning home from a visit to California.

—The farmers adjacent to the village of Tampico, Whiteside county, five months ago were, on their request, annexed to the village, presumably that they might enjoy some advantages; and now that they find that they are subject to village taxes, they want to be detached, but the village board says "Nit."

—A most interesting suggestion of the safety of railroad travel is that with over 10,000 members, all traveling men, the Iowa State Traveling-men's association has paid 19 policies for accidental deaths, and only one of these was caused in a railroad wreck. It is also said that statistics prove that people who travel on the ocean take less chances than those who travel on land.

—The Saturday evening edition of the Dixon Telegraph was a handsome newspaper souvenir of twenty pages. The cover designs were works of lithographic art in eight colors. The inside contains besides the large amount of local matter, eight pages of excellent reading with half tone engravings, making the edition something well worth preserving. An edition of 1800 was issued, and on Tuesday a similar edition of the Semi-Weekly was run. It was a great undertaking successfully planned and carried out. The B. F. Shaw Printing Co. have the hearty congratulations of the Journal.

—Amboy Journal.

Reserved Seat Sale

Opens tomorrow night at Todd's store for Scott's Big Minstrels. Prices 25c, 35c and 50c.

BUY AND SELL!

AND BUY AGAIN, AND PAY YOUR BILLS WHEN DUE.

But Don't Pass by These Local Ads. or You'll be Passed By Too.

Oliver Scott's Big Minstrels
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Artists in Their Line.
Fifty patterns of Smoking or House Jackets are now on exhibition at the City National Clothing Store for Holiday trade. Prices from \$4.50 to \$12.50. 2415

CAKE SALE.

The ladies of the Christian church will hold a Cake Sale on Saturday of this week at Bunnell's Drug Store. A full supply of Doughnuts, Cake, Bread. 3712

PIANO LESSONS AT XMAS RATES.

Mr. A. H. Stoddard will make a Xmas Rate of \$14.40 for twenty-four lessons, which is at the rate of 60 cents per lesson and a discount of forty per cent from the usual rates.

Beginners and advanced pupils received. The above lessons to commence before or during the first week in January. Studio, Rosbrook building. 3315

VOCAL INSTRUCTION.

Miss E. Marie O'Brien comes from Chicago to meet her pupils Friday and Saturday each week. New pupils can arrange for lessons at Dixon Music Co., Opera House. 3101

HACK LINE.

A. I. Gage has the only first-class hack line in the city. Office 117 West First street; both telephones No. 133. Will also furnish 10c hack to all day trains.

Students Returning Home

for holiday vacations, upon presentation of proper credentials, obtain tickets via Nickel Plate Road, to all points in Central Passenger Association territory, at a fare and a third for the round trip. Tickets will be sold on day of closing school and on day immediately preceding closing date; good returning until date school reconvenes, but not later than January 8, 1901.

For information as to train service to Ft. Wayne, Cleveland, Fostoria, Erie and other points, call on or address, JOHN Y. CALAHAN, General Agent, 111 Adams St. Chicago Passenger Station, Van Buren St. and Pacific Ave., on the Elevated Loop. 43

A Rare Opportunity.

Those of our city and vicinity, who are suffering from chronic and nervous diseases, and have failed to get well under ordinary treatment, should embrace the opportunity afforded by the special Christmas offer of Dr. Prettyman. If you go to him now, you get the benefit of the treatment and a cure as if the regular fee was charged. If you have not done so, read carefully his advertisement in this issue. Remember that Dr. Prettyman is now making visits here for the seventh year and that he can be depended upon.

Excursion Rates for the Holidays.

Via the the North-Western Line. Excursion tickets will be sold at low rates to points on the North-Western System east of the Missouri River within 200 miles of selling station, December 24, 25, 31 and January 1, good returning until January 2, inclusive. Apply to agents Chicago & North-Western R'y.

Holiday Rates.

The Illinois Central will sell tickets on their line within a distance of 200 miles at a rate of one and one-third fare for the round trip. Dates of sale Dec. 22, 23, 24, 25 and 31st, 1900, and Jan. 1st, 1901, limited to return not later than Jan. 2nd., 1901.

Excursion Rates to Winter Resorts.

Via the North-Western Line. Excursion tickets are sold daily, with favorable time limits, to numerous points in the West and South at reduced rates. For tickets and full information, apply to agents Chicago & North-Western R'y.

Reduced Rates for Christmas and New Year Holidays.

The Nickel Plate Road will sell tickets December 22 to 25, inclusive, December 31, 1900, and January 1, 1901, at rates of one fare and a third for the round trip, to any point located in Central Passenger Association territory, good returning to and including January 2, 1901. Vertibled sleeping cars. Individual club meals, ranging in price from 35 cents to \$1.00, served in dining cars. Address JOHN Y. CALAHAN, General Agent, 111 Adams St., Chicago, for particulars. Depot, Van Buren St. and Pacific Ave., on the Elevated Loop. 42

Plymouth Clothing and Shoe House

No. 12, First Street, Dixon, Illinois.

The Great Auction Sale of Kuh, Nathan & Fisher Co. Chicago,

Manufacturers of High-grade Clothing for Men, Boy's and Children, was attended by buyers from all parts of the U. S. all eager to secure some of this noted firms make of clothing. The stock consisting of Suits, Overcoats and Pants, was so immense that it was utterly impossible for any one concern to handle it all. WE ATTENDED THIS SALE AND WE BOUGHT HEAVILY in Suits and Overcoats for Men, Boy's and Children, at less than cost to manufacture.

We Begin Today a Sale of Suits and Overcoats

purchased at this AUCTION SALE, which for Phenomenally Low Prices and Extra Good Values far outstrips anything ever attempted in Lee county, and we would advise all intending purchasers of suits and overcoats, without fail, to investigate the Bargains we have in store for you.

As never will you buy good clothing as cheap as now.

Men's Winter Suits, made from all wool chevots, cassimeres and Tweeds, stylishly made, a variety of patterns to select from. Wholesaled by K. N. and F. Co. at \$7.50 our price..... \$4.75

Men's Winter Suits, made from fine worsteds, chevots and cassimeres. K. N. and F. Co. wholesaled them at \$10, our price..... \$6.95

Men's Finest Suits for the Winter. Clay, worsteds, Oxford, vicunas, weltons, unfinished worsteds, blue worges, striped and checked worsteds. Elegantly made and trimmed. Wholesaled by K. N. and F. Co. at \$13.00 our price..... \$9.75

Children's Suits, worth double the price we ask, at 95c, \$1.50, \$1.98 and..... \$2.95

Boys' Long Pants Suits, ages 14 to 19 years. A big variety to select from, \$4.95, \$7.50 and \$9.75

Men's Winter Overcoats, made from excellent quality, beaver and Kersey. Wholesaled by K. N. and F. Co. at 7.50, our price..... \$4.75

Men's Winter Overcoats, made from extra fine blue and black kerseys, black and Oxford freizes and coverts, wholesaled by K. N. and F. Co. at \$10.00 our price..... \$6.95

Men's Winter Overcoats. Extraordinary values in this lot. Oxfords, vicunas, tan and gray coverts. Imported freizes and kerseys, tailored in the best possible manner. Every coat in the lot was wholesaled by K. N. and F. Co. at \$12.50 and \$13.50 our price..... \$9.75

Men's Pants

Bought at the K. N. and F. Co. auction, that ordinarily sell for double the amount we ask for them.

Men's Durable Cheviot and Cassimere pants at..... 93c

Men's Regular \$2.00 Cassimere pants at..... \$1.50

Men's Worsteds and Cassimere pants at..... \$1.98

Men's Fine Pants in endless varieties at..... \$2.95

Plymouth Clothing and Shoe House

For An UP-TO-DATE

Christmas Present

Do not fail to call at Burkart's 109 First street, and inspect his line of Diamonds, Watches, Jewelry, Silver and Ebony Novelties. Prices reasonable.

C. C. Burkart,

109 First Street.

Phone 425

Old Furniture MADE NEW!

Picture frames repainted or enameled for from 15c to 50c, according to size.

Carriage Painting a Specialty.

Also General Paint Shop!

I. W. Myers,

Over Henry Schmidt's black smith shop. Bell phone 266.

Merry Christmas.

Just list the happy Christmas Bells How merrily they ring: They say, "Go get your Shoes at Gill's And peace and pleasure bring."

Yes, get your Christmas presents there For mother or your girl, Go early, get your finest choice, They'll cause your brain to whirl.

Gill's store is 103 First street, His goods beyond compare, In style, in fit, in finish, price, In dainty, nobby air.



Santa Claus

Jordan Stokes, our expert shine artist, is pleasing all who call. Drop in and try him.

Terms Strictly Cash.

103 First Street.

Great Glove Sale!

50c, 75c, 12c, 15c 25c, 39c, and 43c.

Crowded to the limit—a great sale at 39c and 43c a pair values that will keep you busy buying at Ayres' Fire Sale. Both Ladies' and Gent's goods worth \$1.00 and up.

Men's Work Gloves and Mitts..... 12c

Boys' Gloves and Mitts..... 12c

Boys' Mitts..... 5c

Lots of fine Goods that would make nice X-mas Presents at regular price.

Ayres, the Harness Man

122 S. Galena Avenue.